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The Editor of THE BYSTANDER, to meet the requirements of readers attending Henley Regatta on the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd of July, and the Olympic Regatta of the three days following, has entered into arrangements to acquire the late enclosure of the Isthmian Club, situated between the enclosures of the Phyl"s Court Club and the Sports Club.

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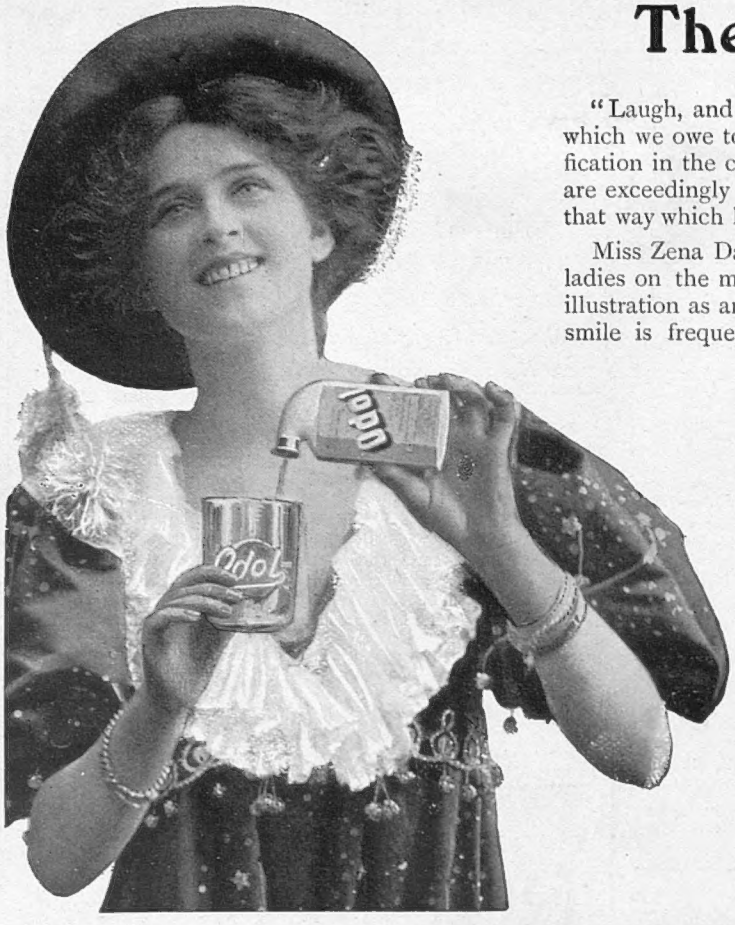

The Odol Smile.

"Laugh, and the world laughs with you" is a proverb which we owe to a poet. It receives its most vivid exemplification in the case of the beautiful actresses of to-day who are exceedingly fond of having their photographs taken in that way which has the advantage of showing off their teeth.

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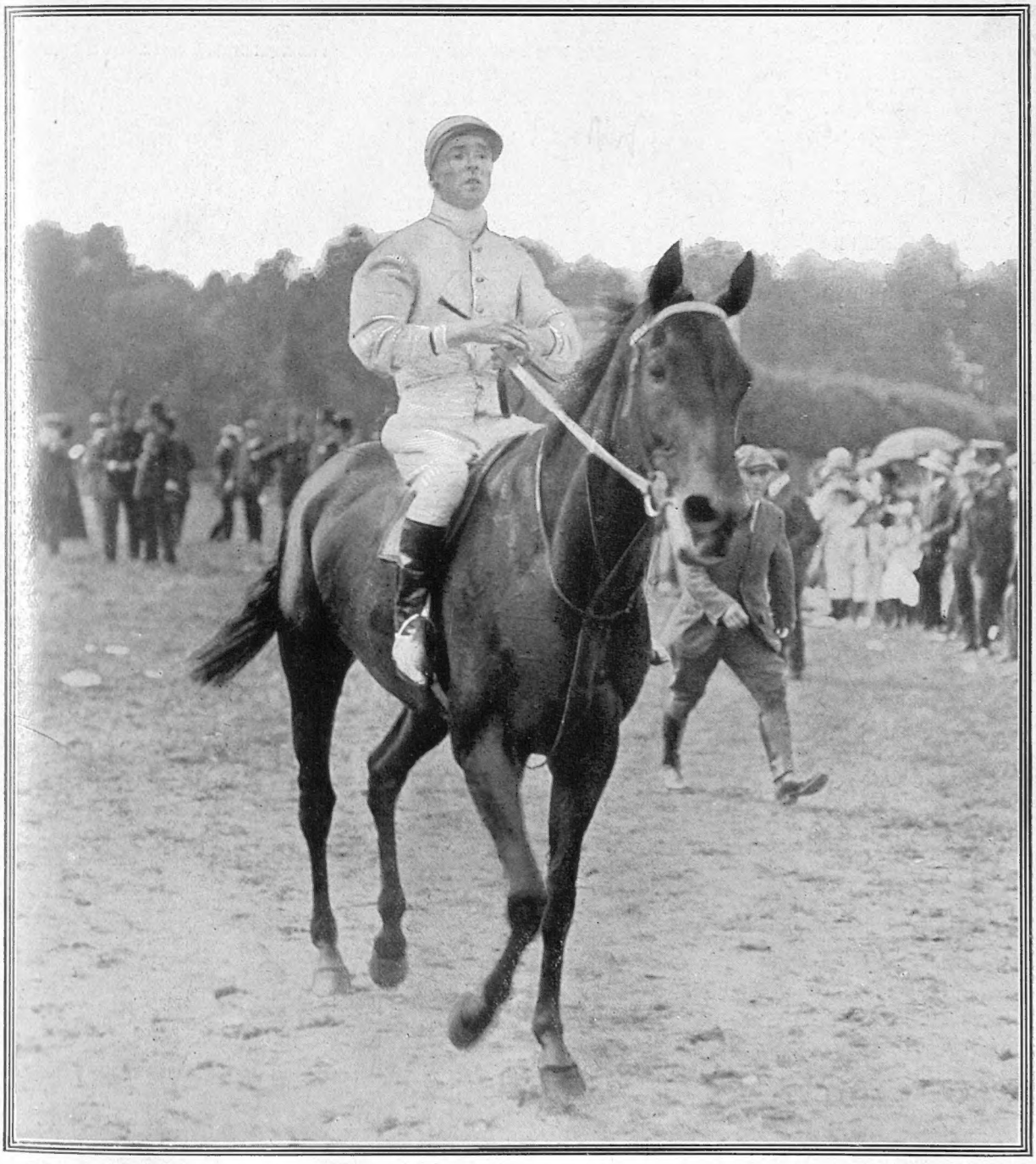

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A TWICE CROWNED QUEEN OF THE TURF

Chevalier Ginistrelli's Signorinetta, who, having astounded the country on Wednesday by winning the Derby at 100 to 1, followed up her victory by winning the Oaks, a feat only twice previously performed in history, namely by Sir Charles Bunbury's Eleanor in 1801, and Mr. l'Anson's Blink Bonny in 1857

Diplomatic, But—

THE KING'S MUCH-CRITICISED CRUISE TO RUSSIA

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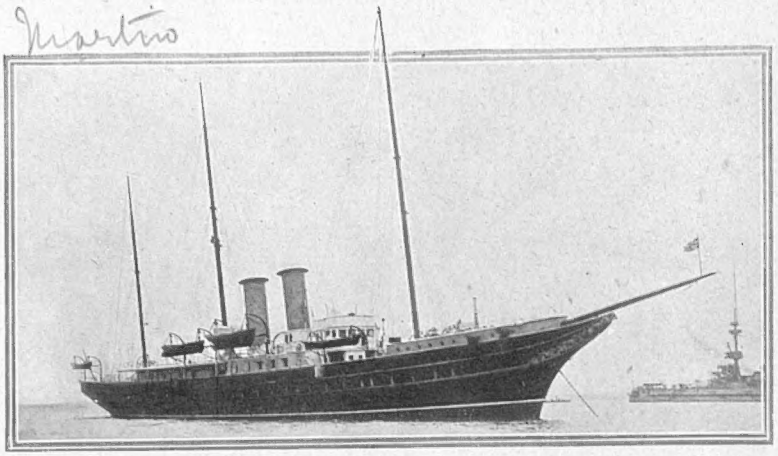
The King a la Russe
His Majesty in the uniform of a Russian General



The New Royal Yacht "Alexandra," which will join the Royal flotilla at the entrance to Kiel Canal
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Photos

The Tsar as a Sailor

The Town of Reval, off which King and Tsar Met *E.N.A*

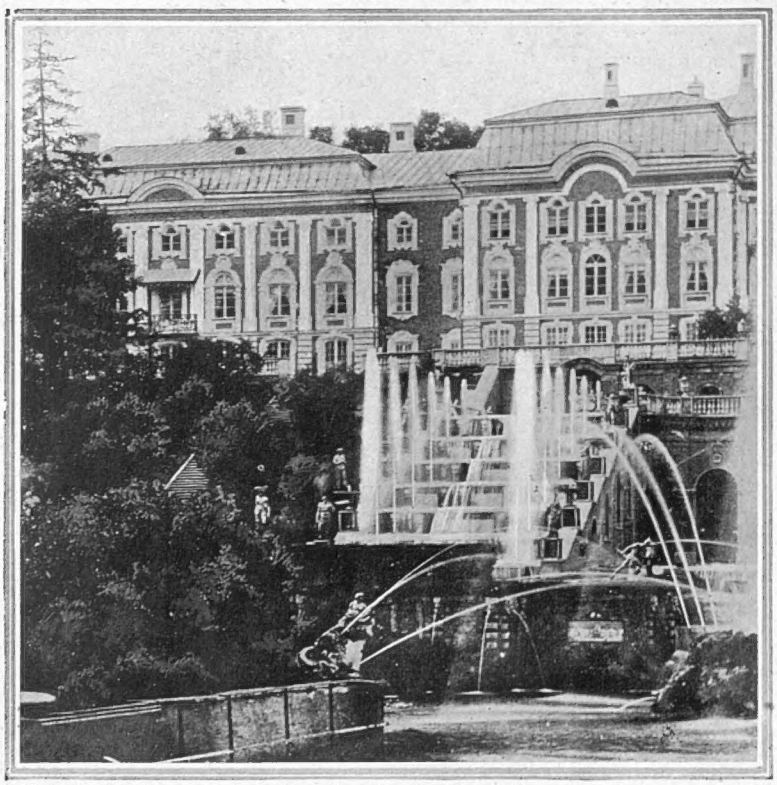

Photo **Peterhof Palace, visited by the King** *Bolak*

Peterhof, the summer residence of the Tsar and Tsaritsa, which the King visited

Photo **The Tsar's Five Children** *E.N.A.*

Who were very glad to see Uncle Edward

Certain misgivings as to King Edward's visit to the Tsar, unaccompanied by a Minister of the Crown, are not wholly confined to a section of Members of Parliament. In view of the state of affairs in Russia, many gravely question the judiciousness of this proceeding. It appears to them to smack of a recognition by the King of a form of government very much opposed to British traditional ideas

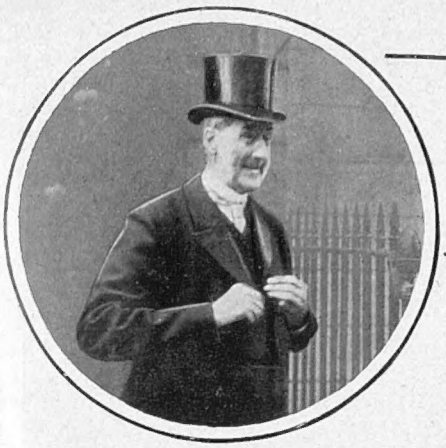

Photo *Park*

Married at Seventy-Nine: Viscount Portman on the Way to his Wedding

Viscount Portman, who is seventy-nine, last week married his second wife, Mrs. Livingstone Learmouth, widow of Mr. A. J. Livingstone Learmouth. His first wife was the Hon. Mary Wentworth-Fitzwilliam, by whom he had five sons and three daughters

THE WORLD'S PAGEANT

The Amazing Derby

The King and Queen, the Prince and Princess of Wales, the Duke and Duchess of Connaught, and Prince Christian were all on Epsom Downs to witness the most amazing Derby of the last decade. A contrast to last year, the weather was glorious; the crowd rather more of a "record" than usual; the heat terrific; and the country-side a blaze of beauty. But only the bookies could really appreciate the many glories of the day. *All* the favourites were beaten; the rankest of outsiders romped to the post, and, though the Italian victory was not unpopular, very few of the general public—who are outside the inner Newmarket racing set—seemed ever to have heard of either winner or owner.

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Royal Derby Gowns

The heat of Derby Day was responsible for some wonderful light frocks and hats. Led by the King, the Royal Princes wore grey frock-coats and white top-hats, and all wore carnations in their buttonholes. The Queen, in grey and white striped chiffon, wore a great posy of yellow and mauve carnations in the front of her gown, and Lady Carrington, who sat next the Queen all the afternoon, was in white and blue with a large, feather-trimmed, smoke-coloured hat. The Princess of Wales wore the satin foulard she usually affects at race meetings, and the Duchess of Connaught looked very nice indeed in Shantung silk, with a hat in the new-old plum-coloured shade.

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King and Tsar

The King, with the Queen and Princess Victoria, on board the *Victoria and Albert*, is to-day in Russian waters. His visit to the Tsar is, according to the Prime Minister's statement, a purely formal act of Royal routine devoid of all political or international significance. It is both a ceremonious and a family affair. The King has, so far, neither returned the Tsar's nor paid his own official visit after his accession, and neither his Majesty nor the Queen have met their nephew and niece, the Tsar and Tsaritsa, for seven years. Our relations with the Russian Government are purely dynastic and official. No *entente* throws a rosy glamour here. The interchange of formal courtesies between related Kings, therefore, need not necessarily imply the nation's sympathy with autocracy.

Photo *Illustrations Bureau*

Mr. McKenna's Marriage: The Bride and Bridegroom Leaving Church after the Ceremony

Mr. R. McKenna, First Lord of the Admiralty, was married to Miss Pamela Jekyll, daughter of Sir Herbert Jekyll, at St. Margaret's, Westminster, on June 3

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Some Doubts

Nevertheless, apart altogether from the frequent absence of the King from the country, we are not at all sure that it is the wisest of moves to show too much sympathy and friendship to a Russian Tsardom, which, when all is said and done, is practically at war with its people. Though very far from sharing the Radical state of mind in the matter, I must confess to faint qualms when, even superficially, I contemplate that in this visit we are establishing friendly relations with the Tsar, but none at all with the Russian people. Suppose a change of Government did take place in Russia? The prevailing sentiment would be very strong against England as having sided with the autocracy against democracy.

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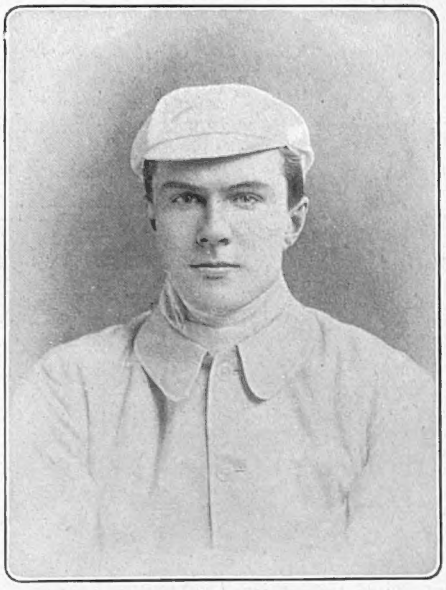
Too Much Personality

Also, is it altogether wise to leave very great issues dependent solely upon a personality, even such a one as that of our King? It is not constitutional custom, in the first place, that the head of the State should, unaccompanied by Ministers, officially meet a foreign Sovereign. Then, it deprives diplomatists of all responsibility, and leaves it on the shoulders of one who can do no wrong—a state of affairs which might, in the event of a change, seriously weaken our position. Altogether, looked at from every side, the game—save that a Whitsuntide yachting trip is a delightful way of spending the holiday—seems hardly worth the candle.

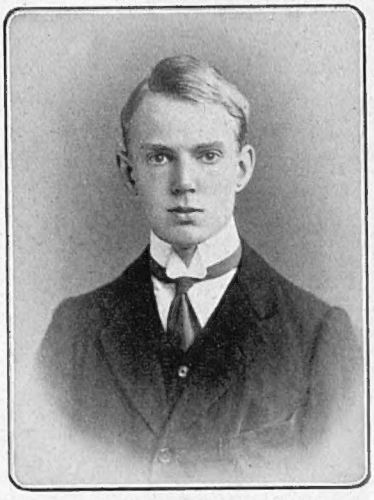
Heroes of the "Fourth"

R. L. Benson
Captain of the XI.



E. Millington Drake
Captain of the Boats

He has great histrionic abilities, which have called forth the encomiums of Canon Lyttelton, Eton's Headmaster, who has described him as the greatest boy-actor he has ever known



D. H. Robertson
Captain of the School

THREE ETON CAPTAINS

Peterhof

The Palace at Peterhof has been prepared for a Royal visit, and it is likely that meetings will take place between the two monarchs there as well as on board the Royal and Imperial yachts. Peterhof has been the scene of many historic receptions by the Tsar and his predecessors. It is used only on State occasions. It was here that the German Emperor was received years ago, and here also that President Faure, of France, met the Tsar. The Emperor, the Dowager Empress, and several Grand Dukes all have smaller palaces in the neighbourhood, and at her sister's palace the Queen would like very much to prolong her holiday were it but possible to shelve her social duties.

The First Derby Winner—Who, like the Last, Won with a Filly

Sir Charles Bunbury, the first winner of the Derby, resembles the last, Signor Ginistrelli. He not only won the Derby with a filly, Eleanor, but also won the Oaks, a race in which this year's Derby winner was also victorious

The Fourth at Eton

To some of us, abnormally busy men, a little tired, a little apt to feel the heat, a little overcome with the responsibilities of maturity, there is some effort and more sadness in our endeavour to recapture only for a day that first fond, foolish rapture of life at Eton on the Fourth. The green, green grass, the silver river, the brilliant sun, the blue arc of heaven—once these were natural adjuncts provided by a thoughtful Providence to grace the Fourth. To-day it is different. Young Eton riots so almightily around us. Little sisters are so much more sweet, and, yes, all the mothers so much more pretty, than they were. For many of us, it was the morning

Photo *Topical Agency*

AFTER THE OUTSIDER'S DERBY

The Backers Homeward Plod Their Weary Way

La Vittoria Italiana al Derbi

Photo *Sport and General*

Chevalier Ginistrelli, the Owner of Signorinetta

PRINCE OF WALES THE QUEEN THE KING

Photo *Illustrations Bureau*

The Party in the Royal Box

Photo *Sport and General*

The Pull Up after the Finish

Signorinetta leading the way by several lengths after her brilliant and sensational passage of the winning post—the first filly to win the Derby for twenty-six years, since Shotover won the race for the Duke of Westminster. Chevalier Ginistrelli, her owner, has carefully nursed his ambition to win the Derby for many years, and is a well-known figure at Newmarket. Quite a romance is attached to his affection for Signorinetta's mother, Signorina, one of the loveliest mares ever seen on the Turf, with whom he absolutely refused to part

A Royal Romance and a June Bride

The marriage of Miss Cynthia Adela Victoria Fitzclarence (only daughter of Mr. Henry Fitzclarence) to Mr. Roland George Orred, of the Coldstream Guards, to-morrow, recalls a romance of throne and stage of just over a hundred years ago. For Miss Fitzclarence is a great-granddaughter of William IV. by his consortship with Mrs. Jordan, the famous, brilliant, and beautiful actress, who shared his Majesty's hearth for twenty years and gave him ten children. The King's eldest son was made Earl of Munster. The present Lord Munster is a great-grandson of William IV. and a second cousin of Miss Fitzclarence, who descends from a younger son of King William

Miss Cynthia Fitzclarence

Photos *Thompson*

Mr. R. G. Orred

To be married to-morrow

after the night before at Eton last Thursday. A disastrous Derby Day lay behind, and a long, long settling-up in front. But dull, dull care was cast aside nevertheless. From the first breakdown in the motor to the last faint splutter of fireworks in the fields we bore up wonderfully, considering. After all, we were sons of Eton, too, if now we are but fathers and uncles; the Fourth is always the Fourth; Millington Drake, actor, linguist, great "swell," and captain of the boats, is our own, our very own, and no one else's; and the sun shone last week as it only can shine at Eton on the Fourth of June.

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"The Bystander" at Henley

In another part of the paper will be found some interesting details with regard to BYSTANDER arrangements for Henley Regatta. As the season advances, it is every day more evident that London is fuller and functions more crowded than has been the case at any time since the Coronation year. Henley Regatta is likely to attract a record crowd, for we are promised a fine summer. It has, therefore, been arranged that the enclosure formerly occupied by the Isthmian Club, between Phyllis Court and the Sports Club quarters, should be acquired by THE BYSTANDER to provide comfortable accommodation for its readers. All particulars will be found on page 529.

Mr. Lingard Amphlett Goulding, only son of Sir William Goulding, Bart., of Millicent, Co. Kildare, is to marry on June 20, at Christ Church, Bray, Co. Wicklow, Ireland, Miss Nesta Violet Wright, second daughter of the Hon. Mr. Justice Wright, of Ryecroft, Bray, and of Dublin. She is a granddaughter of the late Sir Croker Barrington, Bart., of Glenstal, Co. Limerick

Miss Nesta Wright

Photos *Lafayette*

Mr. L. A. Goulding

To be married on June 20

TWO INTERESTING WEDDINGS OF THE MONTH

Ministerial Honeymoons

WHERE MESSRS. McKENNA AND MASTERMAN, WITH THEIR BRIDES, ARE NOW IN RETREAT

Photos *Beresford and Elliott and Fry*

Mr. and Mrs. Reginald McKenna

Photo *Scott and Smith*

The wedding of Mr. Reginald McKenna, First Lord of the Admiralty, to Miss Pamela Jekyll, daughter of Sir Herbert and Lady Jekyll, took place at St. Margaret's, Westminster, on June 3. They are honeymooning at Hurley House, near Marlow, a suitable place, seeing that Mr. McKenna is a rowing man

Photos *Beresford and Elliott and Fry*

Mr. and Mrs. C. F. G. Masterman

Photo *Frith*

Mr. C. F. G. Masterman, Under-Secretary to the Local Government Board, was married to Miss Lucy Lyttelton, General Sir Neville and Lady Lyttelton's eldest daughter, on June 2. They are spending their honeymoon at Highcliffe Castle, Christchurch (where the Kaiser stayed on his last visit to England)

Memories of Buller the Brave

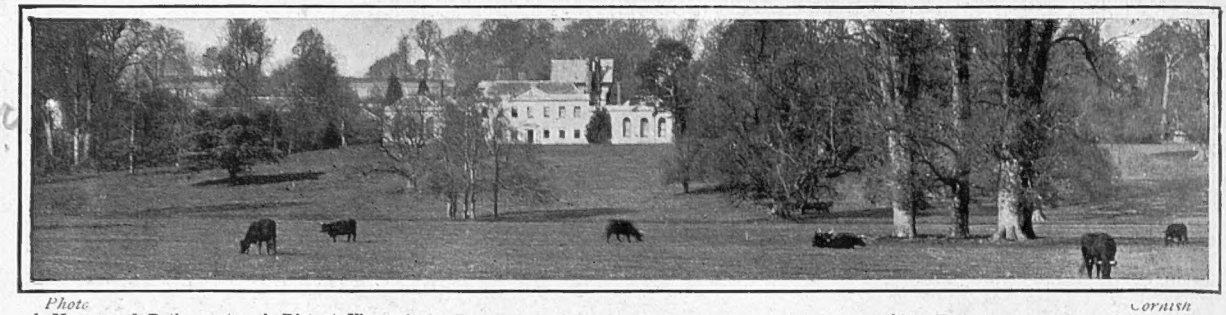

Photo Cornish
A Memory of Retirement: A Distant View of the Downes, Crediton, General Buller's Beautiful Devonshire Home, where he quietly spent his declining years

The Late Sir Redvers Buller

With the death of Sir Redvers Buller the nation loses a type of fighting man now fast becoming extinct in the British Army. Brave as a lion, fired with a bull-dog tenacity, he nevertheless lacked many of the qualities essential to a General in the field. With the rank and file he was always extraordinarily popular. They never lost faith in him—not even when, under his generalship, they were at handgrips with death and disaster in the darkest days of the Boer War. The career of General Buller, up to the time of the war in South Africa, was one of uniform success. With his command in South Africa he took up a work beyond his powers.

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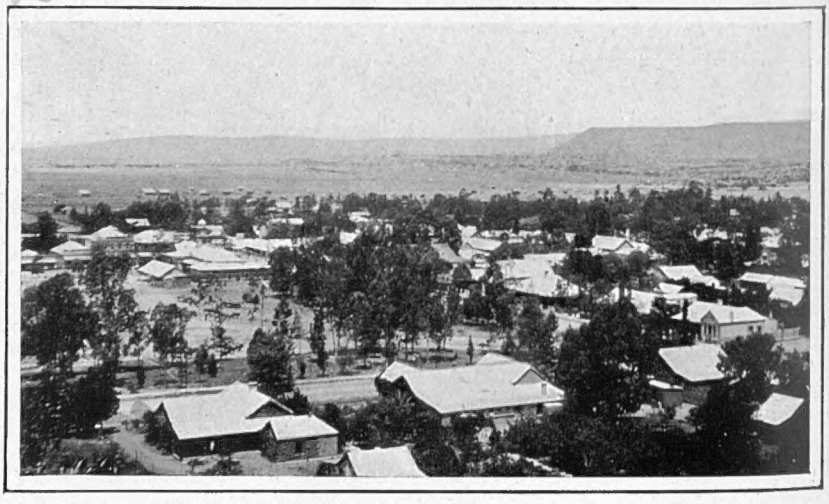
The Hardest Part

Yet it should be remembered that, after all, he prepared the ground for the brilliant conquerors that came after him. His operations in Natal, disastrous though they were to him and to the nation, eventually attained their object—the relief of Ladysmith. The worst of all his reverses was that sustained at Colenso, when the General retired with 1,100 casualties and the loss of ten guns; and scarcely less deplorable was the later defeat at Spion Kop. On his return home he was given command of the First Army Corps, but an unfortunate and injudicious speech, at a public banquet, in reply to his critics brought about his retirement. Later on, he once again made a dire mistake by publishing, in connection with his case, some of the despatches which had passed during his command in South Africa. He accepted his fate philosophically, living, after he was placed on half-pay, the life of a country gentleman, only once more coming prominently before the notice of the man in the street—in connection with the Townshend case.

Photo] **The Late Sir Redvers Buller, V.C.** *[Knight*
This was the late General's favourite likeness of himself, and is the one by which he is likely to be best remembered



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A Memory of Disaster
The monument on Spion Kop to Buller's brave but beaten troops

A Memory of Victory
Ladysmith, which Buller relieved after repeated failures

Visited by His Royal Parents

Photo *Kirk*

THE PRINCE AND PRINCESS OF WALES AND PRINCE EDWARD AT THE OSBORNE NAVAL COLLEGE

Prince Edward of Wales is following in the footsteps of his father in entering upon a Naval career. The young Prince is now training as a cadet at the Naval School, Osborne, where he was recently visited by his father and mother

Will Littlehampton Become Big-Hampton?

THE NEW DISTANCE-KILLING BRIDGE

Photo *Spry*

The New Bridge over the Arun at Littlehampton, which will open up new and direct routes between Brighton and Worthing and Bognor and Chichester

Photo] **The Duke of Norfolk (shortly before the birth of his son and heir) Unveiling a Tablet at the Opening of the Bridge** [*Illustrations Bureau*

The prosperity of most places is nowadays determined by their accessibility. Littlehampton, therefore, will probably soon witness that tide, which, taken at the flood, leads on to fortune. For the new £27,000 swing-bridge over the Arun, inaugurated the other day by the Duke of Norfolk, opens up what is practically a new and direct coast route for travellers by road between Brighton and Worthing and Bognor and Chichester. It will shorten the distance to the latter two neighbouring towns by seven and five miles respectively—that is to say, it will bring these towns nearer by about half the present distance. The bridge replaces the antiquated ferry, and will, no doubt, bring Littlehampton into the sphere of modern things. The ceremony of inauguration was performed by the Duke of Norfolk a few days before the birth of his son and heir

The Peerage's Premier Baby

The Earl of Arundel

Somehow or other the affection felt by all classes of his countrymen for his Grace the Duke of Norfolk culminated in one big outburst last week when it was announced that an Earl of Arundel had been born. The Premier Duke and Duchess are beloved in Arundel, and liked and respected by the whole of the rest of England. They are not "Society" people; but they are charitable, simple, and delightful to a degree. For twenty years, it will be remembered, the Duke watched over the life of the invalid son borne to him by his first wife. In 1902 the young Earl died, and in 1904 the Duke married the Hon. Gwendolen Constable-Maxwell, elder daughter of Baron Herries, and heiress to her father's ancient title. Their first child was a girl, the Lady Rachel Howard. And now the Duchess has gone one better in presenting her husband with a son. Thus Lord Edmund Talbot is put out of the running.

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Titles

The titles to which the new baby will eventually succeed are many and high-sounding. Duke of Norfolk, Earl of Arundel, Surrey, and Norfolk, Baron Fitz-Alan, Clun, Oswaldstre, and Maltravers, Earl Marshal and Hereditary Marshal and Chief Butler of England, Premier Duke and Premier Earl—here they all are, a magnificent mouthful. The Duke, of course, is the most prominent lay Catholic in the country.

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Photo **The Duchess of Norfolk** [*Russell*

The happy mother of the new heir, who was born on Saturday, May 30, at Arundel

Arundel Castle

The little Earl of Arundel is the first of his name to be born at Arundel Castle, the stately Sussex home of the Dukes of Norfolk. Arundel Castle has the unique distinction of conferring a title upon its possessor, whoever he may be. If Mr. Rockefeller bought it he would become Earl of Arundel. The eleventh Earl spent more than half a million on improving the estate, and the present Duke has spent about a million on it. The grounds are magnificently kept. At Arundel, in the private chapel, the new heir was picturesquely christened by Dr. Bourne, Archbishop of Westminster, with the names of Bernard Marmaduke, after Lord Edmund Talbot and his grandfather, Lord Herries.

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Royal Sailors

The "second in popularity" in the Navy, Rear-Admiral Prince Louis of Battenberg, is booked for speedy promotion owing to numerous retirements from the active flag list. His nephew, Prince Alexander of Battenberg, will shortly leave the Navy for the Army. Both he and his brother, Prince Leopold, are still very delicate, and the choice of a profession has in neither case proved easy.

Photo *White*

Arundel Castle, the Duke of Norfolk's Stately Sussex Home, where the New Heir was Born and Christened

"They've Got It All to Do—In the Navy"

Photo Strenuosity: Our Sailors as Gunners [*Cribb*

In their wonderful gun drill our sailors are unrivalled for speed and precision. Here is a gun-crew negotiating an artificial "chasm" at Portsmouth

Marvellous Gun Drill

The newly inaugurated Naval Field-Gun Inter-Port Competition has lately been exciting Portsmouth. The competition is novel. It consists of a contest between Naval 12-pounder field guns, manned by crews of eighteen representing the Naval Barracks and Gunnery Schools at Portsmouth, Devonport, and the Nore. It is decided on the American system of "all against all," for which purpose two guns have been competing each afternoon. The guns are drawn up in line, a pistol is fired, and they are rushed forward and across an artificial "chasm" made of wood. Another sprint brings them to a 5ft. wall, over which the guns, carriages, and limbers are thrown in a marvellously expeditious manner. The guns are immediately afterwards remounted and brought into action and fired. Then there is the race back over the same obstacles. The whole performance is done at the highest pressure and the topmost speed, and is, indeed, not only a wonderful spectacle, but a marvel of agility on the part of our sailors.

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In Command at the Cape

Rear-Admiral George le Clerc Egerton, who becomes Commander at the Cape in place of Sir Edmund Poë, has had a long and distinguished career. He is a brother of General Sir Charles Egerton, of Indian service fame, and has been Naval A.D.C. to the King. He served in the Arctic Expedition of 1875, and was flag-captain of the *St. George* under Rear-Admiral Rawson during the punitive expedition near Mombasa in 1895. He was present at the bombardment and capture of the Sultan of Zanzibar's Palace, and also accompanied Rear-Admiral Rawson against the King of Benin when Benin city was captured. He has also been Assistant Director of Torpedoes at the Admiralty and Naval Attaché to the Maritime Courts.

Photo A New Appointment [*Lafayette*

Rear-Admiral le Clerc Egerton, who succeeds Vice-Admiral Sir Edward Poë as Commander-in-Chief on the Cape Station

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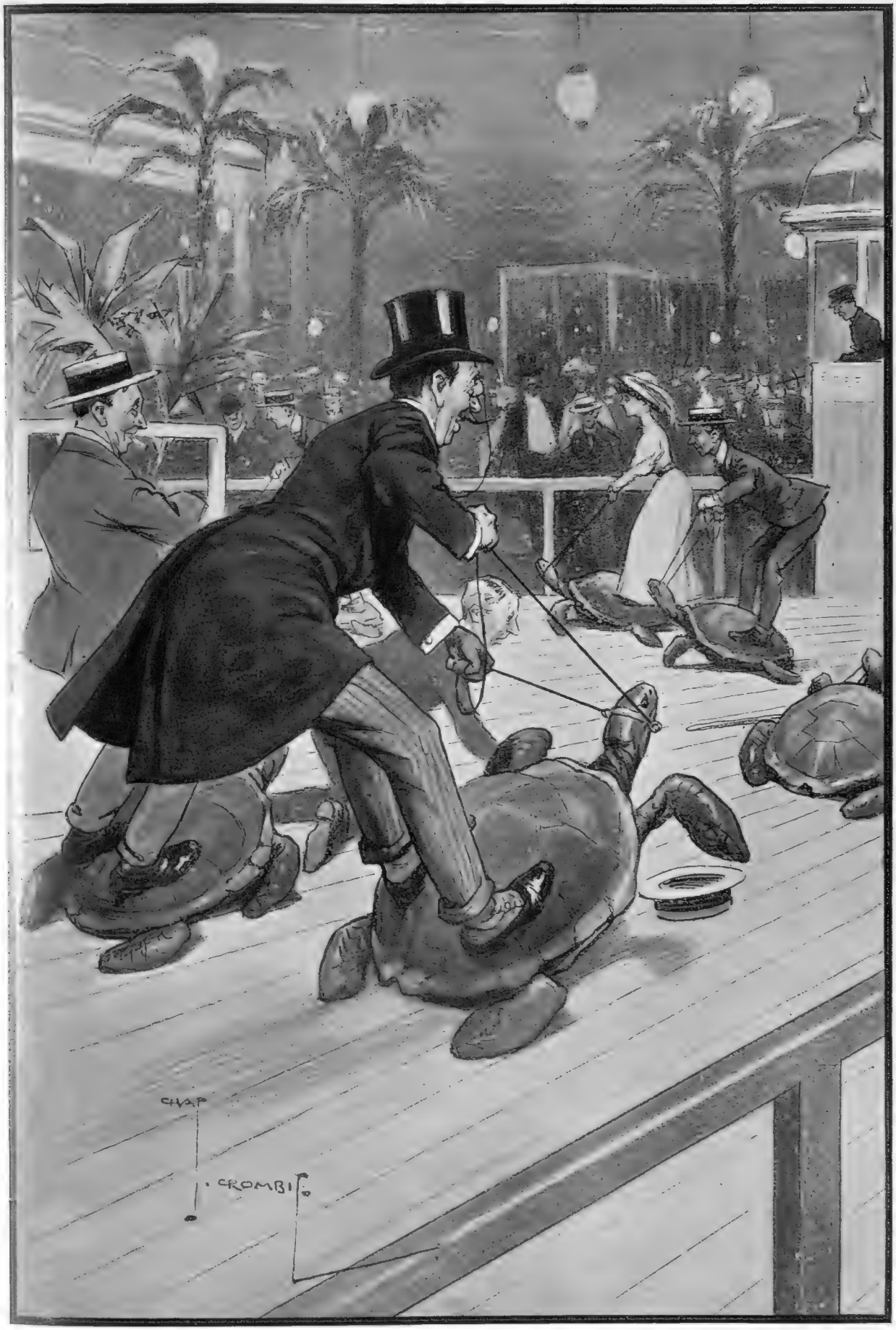
"Charlie Beresford"

Very little has been heard since the little affair with Scott of the popular commander of the Channel Fleet—Lord Charles Beresford. Quite soon, however, if, as is possible, the King and Queen go to Ireland later in the summer, "Charlie Beresford," as he is known to friends and foes alike, will find further outlet for his energies, for naturally on these occasions the Channel Fleet is very much to the fore. More stories are told of "Charlie" than of any other man in the Service. His father was a hunting parson, who ended life as Marquis of Waterford. Lord Marcus Beresford is the King's trainer at Newmarket. Apart from Lord Charles Beresford's achievements as sailor and politician, he is also a man of many hobbies, gardening, boat-building, turning and carpentering being not the least among them. He is a shining light of the Society of Ornamental Turners.

Photo Hospitality: Our Officers as Hosts [*Topical Agency*

Our officers are the best of hosts, and excel in the gentle art of "showing you round." Here Lord Charles Beresford, his staff around, is shown chatting with the Dewan of Nepal before the distinguished Indian guest inspected the Channel Fleet

Turning Turtleham Corner



THE DELIGHTS OF "TURTLING THE TURTLE" AT EARL'S COURT EXHIBITION

The "Flip-Flap" at the "Franco-Brit." has a serious rival in the pastime of "Turtling the Turtle" at Earl's Court, which exhilarating exercise daily delights its hundreds. During the last week it was especially patronised by those who were unable to pay a visit to Epsom Downs, and formed the staple Whit-Monday attraction

BY CHARLES CROMBIE

THE PLAYHOUSES

Photo *Dover Street Studios*

Miss Olive May

The pretty Cigarette Seller in *Havana* at the Gaiety

SHAFTESBURY THEATRE

"La Fille du Tambour-Major"

Jacques Offenbach has come in for much attention from those whose *métier* it is to extol the delights of the theatrical past. "A truce," they say, "to your musical comedies, with their inane 'books' and jingling melodies; give us Offenbach again."

These have had to wait long for their expectations to be realised. And now that they have obtained their heart's desire it is exceedingly doubtful whether they will be satisfied with the manner in which Offenbach has been revived.

It would be quite unfair to compare the production of a foreign company engaged for a short "season" of a few weeks with one intended by an English manager to pile up at least a "century" and show him a profitable return on a very heavy outlay. At the same time, the French company at the Shaftesbury, in the matter of dress and scenic appointments, falls below the standard set by the companies who in England make the tour of the "No. 2 towns."

Costumes that Need Rest

It may be that English playgoers have been spoilt by the rich fare which is constantly presented to them by their own managers. That they have been so accustomed to rich stuffs, harmonious colour effects, ingenious lighting, handsome sets and all the appanages of wealth, and a highly developed sense of the artistic and the beautiful as to be inclined to sniff tawdriness in the cheaper mounting of an opera or play. It may be, I say, that the fault is mine, but I can only chronicle the fact that the production of *La Fille du Tambour-Major* gave me a shock.

If the performance had been on a higher level I should not have been thrown back upon the scenery for discussion. It is only when the performance is indifferent that one's attention wanders to the costumes and scenic appointments.

Off the Key

To revive Offenbach in the manner it is revived at the Shaftesbury Theatre puts rather a strain upon the *Entente Cordiale*. I should like to be commendatory upon the performance of the French players. But honesty forbids. Besides, any tender feelings I may have had for the players has been dissipated by the manner in which some of them assailed my ears. The lady who played the Vivandière made a bad start, and only recovered herself at rare intervals. I would back the number of notes she sang off the key against those she sang true, and expect to be a handsome winner upon the transaction.

The principals, Mme. Tariol-Baugé and M. Tournis, acquitted themselves fairly creditably, though the latter is rather square-set and wooden in his production, if I may so express it. There is no "give" to his voice.

The bright particular vocalist of the company is M. Decreus, who, as Griolet, the drummer, exhibited the possession of a light tenor voice both flexible and sweet in quality.

I am ever grateful to those managers who bring French plays and players to these shores. But we expect to see, as to date we have seen, the best they can produce. Reverse the position, and imagine Mr. George Edwardes sending, to play for a fortnight in Paris, a musical comedy company on a level both as regards mounting of the play and ability of the cast with that now playing at the Shaftesbury Theatre. I said imagine it. But you cannot.

THE ALHAMBRA

Arlette Dorgère, who is the spirit of Parisian gaiety expressed in terms of flesh and blood; who, in Paris, is observed and known by all; whose turn-outs, whether for a Battle of Flowers or for less ceremonious occasions, always strike the eye; the incomparable Arlette Dorgère of the brilliant smile is making her first appearance in London. She is announced as the "Queen of Parisian Vaudeville," and no one will gainsay the title. Her "turn" is a mere frame of a sketch for the purpose of exploiting her singing of four French and one English song. She sang them all charmingly, and was ably assisted by M. Cassella, himself the possessor of a well-trained and pleasing voice.

E. C. S.

Divers Doings in Cuba

AS REPRESENTED IN "HAVANA" AT THE GAIETY

On the Quay: Miss Mabel Russell in a Dainty Song and Dance

Parting is Such Sweet Sorrow: Consuelo (*Miss Evie Greene*) and Jackson Villiers (*Mr. Leonard Mackay*)

Photos] Three Members of the "Consu's" Crew find themselves at a Revolutionary Gathering [*Foulsham and Banfield*

Names (*left to right*): Mr. W. H. Berry, Miss Gladys Homfreys, Mr. Alfred Lester, Mr. Edward O'Neill, and Mr. Robert Hale

The good ship *Consu* and its passengers, anchoring off Havana, are taken by Revolutionaries conspiring to place Isabelita (Miss Homfreys) on the throne for friends, so believing that the new-comers are confederates in disguise, bringing financial help and firearms, Villiers, the yacht's owner and his companions are invited to a secret meeting, where the discovery of the real state of affairs gives an opportunity for some delightful fooling on the parts of Mr. Alfred Lester and Mr. W. H. Berry. In fact, no small part of the success of the production is due to the delightful acting of these two gentlemen

The Taint of Temperament

Photo *Bassano*

MISS LILLAH McCARTHY AS NAN, AT THE HAYMARKET

Miss McCarthy is now appearing in the title-rôle of Nan, a play by John Masefield, which is filling the bill at a special series of matinées at the Haymarket, the last of which takes place next Friday. The piece was first produced a few weeks back by the Pioneers at the New Royalty, where her vivid portraiture of the peasant girl with an artistic temperament, taunted and irritated by her hoydenish relatives and companions, was enthusiastically acclaimed

Random Jottings

Three Churchmen—the Archbishop of Canterbury, the Bishop of London, and Cardinal Logue—have, according to a contemporary, left a deep impression during the past year upon the United States. This is due chiefly to the Bishop's tennis match with the President and the Cardinal's shooting at a Coney Island Gallery, where he scored several bull's-eyes. A little hard on Nonconformists and Christian Scientists this. Unless Dr. Clifford can develop into a smart printer, and Mrs. Eddy into a capable aeroplanist, things will begin to look black for them over there.

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Bishops and Cardinals of the future will also have their work cut out. Perhaps we shall see advertisements dealing with their needs :

"Bishop of B——, about to visit States, desires lessons in hurdling, baseball throwing, and the high-kick. Will find own trainer." Or

"Wanted, by short-sighted Cardinal, going West, driver warranted to shoot straight. Also boomerang that will return to owner."

A clerical skittle-champion would be popular.

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Overheard at the Franco-British Exhibition :

GALLANT FRENCHMAN (*to elderly English spinster who has just descended from the Flip-Flap*) : "Ah, you are what you call ze Flappaire ! "

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The International Hospitality Fund is a brilliant idea, and it is to be hoped Mr. Lloyd-George will be able to raise the money to do things nicely. Why not add to it by publishing a little book now and then showing the nature of the bills, and so on ? Many people would be willing to buy a blue-book that gave such interesting details as :

	£	s.	d.
1 sal-volatile to French President on landing at Dover	0	0	3
240 stamps for Kaiser during stay ..	1	0	0
Removing bombs from under Russian Grand Duke's chair (at 5*s.* per bomb).	14	10	0
Preparing rattle-snakes for dinner of African Prince (at 15*s.* 3*d.* per reptile, and feeding same with mice at 4*d.* per doz.)	17	11	4½

It is in their domestic—as well as in their formal relations that we like to get to know our distinguished visitors.

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Dr. Sheepshanks, Bishop of Norwich, has admonished the priests and deacons of his diocese "not to lay themselves open to the condemnatory reproach of being clerical flirts." They should, so to speak, try to make Sheepshanks rather than sheep's-eyes. Meanwhile, curates who have received gifts of slippers are feeling distinctly uncomfortable. Perhaps a jumble sale would be the best way to dispose of these Danaan gifts.

The Seasider's Lament

(*A Blue-Book has been issued announcing the gradual abolition of the Coastguard.*)

Still on the beach the husky nigger
Will sing the songs that thrill and scatter ;
Still the lean fire-eater will swig a
Whole draught of flame and grow no fatter.

Still dukes disguised and masqued duchesses
Will moan to donkey-drawn pianners ;
Strong men bend pokers in their clutcheses
Or break stones on their heads for tanners.

They will abide—so will the pierrots—
But, ah, that man whom we would most guard
Of all our well-loved seaside heroes
Will be no more—we mean the coastguard;

Who, when strange ships he was not sighting,
Would tell land-lubbers without scoffing
That lob-worms were the bait for whiting,
Or that a breeze was in the offing

And if it wasn't just his glasses
That stopped the trade of smugglers, bust 'em !
Winston, admit before he passes
He brought our coasts a lot of custom !

'Arry "Franco-Brits"

"'Ere, 'Arriet, wot's this ? They give yer yer wot-ye-call-it for three shillings, yer dinner for five, when yer can get the 'ole bloomin' thing complete for a bob"

By Norman Morrow

The Connoisseur.

By EGAN MEW

Bedstead in the Manner of Charles II. Period: Modern in Comfort and Stuart in Taste

A Crowded Season

The enormous prices which some of the Oriental china has recently reached and the wild bidding in thousands for old French furniture and English paintings have rather frightened the modest collector. But, as a matter of fact, the great fashionable sales, where half a dozen lots bring many, many thousands of pounds sterling, are those also where some more or less unimportant pieces go at a very low figure. While the historic Ming porcelains or those of the finest of the K'ang-Hsi period are being fought for by Messrs. Duveen and Mr. Gorer, the industrious Autolycus of well-considered trifles may find decorative examples which are not now greatly in demand, but which the fortunes of fashion and the market may some day greatly improve. Such are the later examples of K'ang-Hsi blue and white, which a few pounds may purchase in an unimportant lot; or the eighteenth-century mahogany of a character of wood and workmanship which, although now very widely appreciated, is too plain to obtain large prices. It is this simple eighteenth-century work which should be collected, for a time will come when that, too, will be sought, and sought in vain.

The Return of the Wooden Bedstead

For many years past those who like their sleeping rooms to be beautiful as well as comfortable have invariably found one important stumbling-block in their way to an *ensemble*. Say you have, with painstaking pleasure, managed to collect the suitable furniture for a Stuart room, the crux is always the bedstead. Of course, in the seventeenth century wealth was confined to the few, and those few were the only people who could support the vast and tent-like sleeping pieces which would hardly be possible to-day. Failing the real thing, the collector was thrown back on those staring brass and iron bedsteads — the heritage of the great mechanical days of the 'fifties, when to be "machine-made" was the highest ideal. With the revival of a sense of beauty in the souls of manufacturers has come a bedstead which need not hurt the finest sensibilities of those devoted to graceful surroundings, combined with perfect hygiene. The two examples which I give are from Messrs. Heal and Son's shop, where are many others of equally clever construction. The Louis XV. specimen is in walnut of an attractive colour. While this design gives the grace of the period it is presented with a certain reserve, which adapts it to the quietest surrounds. The Charles II. bedstead is of a type unknown to that particular example of the "stipendiary Stuarts," but it would have been greatly appreciated in that day of good taste — in furniture, at least. It is admirably suited to complete a bedroom-set in late Stuart walnut, which is now becoming once again popular. I congratulate Messrs. Heal on having devised a piece of furniture which will help many devout students of old walnut out of a considerable difficulty.

Bedstead of Walnut Wood in the Graceful Style of Louis XV.

Light and Leaning

BROWN: "Hi! Conshtable, how's a man to find his way home by these noo-fangled 'lectric 'luminators?"
CONSTABLE: "What? Ain't they light enough for you then?"
BROWN: "Who said ellythick agin the lishe? What I complains of is the plaguey dishtance between the poshts"

BY G. E. STUDDY

CONTINENTAL CHAT

Thirty-Eight Years After: The German Crown Prince Reviewing Veterans of the Franco-Prussian War

Heroes of the Franco-Prussian War had a red-letter day when they were reviewed by the German Crown Prince the other day. The Prince chatted with several of the old warriors, some of whom recounted their experiences to him

The Connaughts and Malta: A Retrospect

Since the Duke of Connaught left Malta people have found a topic in his work for the sometime neglected island. The Duke is a popular man, and the Duchess is a popular woman. Popular, too, is their charming daughter, Princess Patricia, who came to Malta with her father and mother, and created an extremely favourable impression. Although Malta as a winter resort possesses many attractions, until this year the season has never been particularly brilliant. Since Royalty, however, has patronised this anything but desert island, and brought in its train many important members of Society, Malta has begun climbing into social rank, and there is no reason why it should not in time become a second Cairo. For many years Malta, perhaps more than any other British possession, has felt itself neglected. The people who stayed there came because their military friends were quartered there, or because they wished to have many of the Riviera advantages at a very much cheaper rate. Tourists complained of the lack of amusements, that the whole island could be visited in one day, and felt they were detested by the inhabitants.

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The Influence of Royalty

The Connaughts brought new life with them. La Valetta, gay with the uniforms of soldiers on parade, seems to have shaken off its convent-like aspect, and taken on the busy and picturesque atmosphere of a garrison town. The Duke and Duchess of Connaught and Princess Patricia have taken an active interest in everything. Receptions have been given in their honour, and they themselves have entertained a great deal. They have been to the Opera regularly, to polo matches, to balls, and twice the troops have been reviewed at the Maria by the Duke, who presented a silver cup for the Marsa races, won by Lord Hampton. The two great social events of the season were the opening of the new Soldiers' and Sailors' Home in Floriana and the new Edward VII. Dock.

Photo *Belak*

A Home for Mulai Hafid? The Sultan's Private Palace at Fez

This is the private Palace at Fez of the Sultan Abdul Aziz, of whom, as of another famous Sultan, it seems we shall before long refer to as "Abdul As-was." For Mulai Hafid, the usurper, is meeting with success everywhere, and is, in fact, accepted as Sultan by practically all Morocco. He is now preparing to enter Fez as victor, and Fez is preparing to receive him with demonstrations of joy

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Notable Visitors

Princess Andrew of Greece and Princess Louise of Battenberg stayed for quite a long time with the Duke and Duchess of Connaught, and took an active interest in the Infantry Brigade Gymkhana. Mrs. Jack Leslie was also one of the guests. The Governor and Mrs. Grant have not been very long in Malta, but have made themselves very popular, and during the season gave weekly garden-parties and receptions. Princess Patricia scarcely missed a day's golf. She and her mother played a great deal with Lady Lanesborough and Lady Merewether, and were most enthusiastic about their matches. Among the people staying at Malta during the season were Lady Ponsonby, Lady Mabel Sowerby, Admiral Sir John Fisher, Lady Maxwell, Admiral and Lady Barry, and Lady Donegal. By far the most interesting thing about Malta is its historical past, about which few people know anything. The people in

In King Alfonso's Capital

Photo Topical Agency

THE DUKE AND DUCHESS OF CONNAUGHT WALKING IN MADRID DURING THEIR VISIT TO KING ALFONSO

The Duke and Duchess of Connaught, with Princess Patricia, spent a very agreeable time in Madrid during their visit to King Alfonso. They did a good deal of sight-seeing in and about the old city, were entertained at gala banquets, attended receptions, and went to the Opera. The Duke was appointed Honorary Colonel of the Cazadores de Arapiles, to which battalion he was officially presented at a review. On their return to England, the Duke and Duchess were delayed on account of the collision between the passenger-boats "Queen" and "Onward"

A New Beauty-Religion in Paris

Photo *Graphic Photo Union*

The Effect of a Bomb Explosion in St. Petersburg

A Revolutionist's bomb exploded the other day at a house in St. Petersburg, but did not kill anybody. It set fire to the house, however, which was considerably damaged before the firemen could reach it. The crowd, at a respectful distance, watched the conflagration

Malta are extremely pious. At every cross-road there is to be seen the statue of some Saint, and during the *Mois de Marie* the Maltese will spend from seven to eight hours visiting the different churches.

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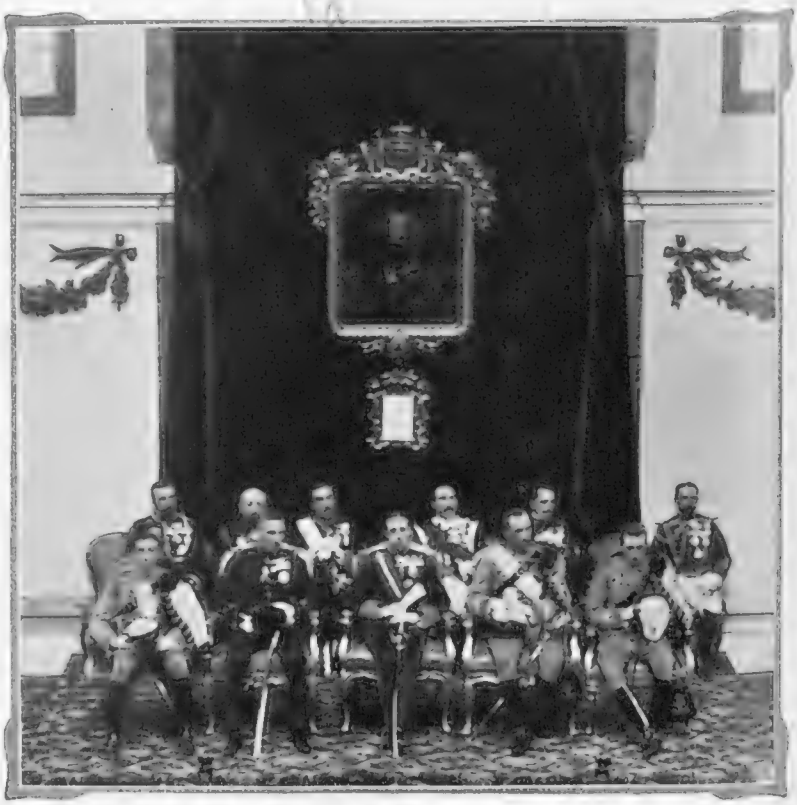
Caligula and the Kaiser

Among the German Municipal Councillors who were recently visiting London was a mild, pleasant, and cultured Professor from Munich of the somewhat unromantic name of Quidde. This gentleman figured among the delegates as a member of the Municipal Council of Munich and of the Bavarian Parliament. Very few know of him as the author of a famous pamphlet, published not so many years ago, entitled "Caligula." It was an historical dissertation on that infamous Roman Emperor, but the author managed dexterously to play upon current events in perfectly innocent language, which everybody, reading between the lines, applied to a living Sovereign, whose name it is superfluous to give. Professor Quidde's pamphlet had an immense circulation, and produced a great effect throughout Liberal Germany. As the obnoxious character of his book was only in the interpretation the reader chose to give it, there was no case for a public prosecution. Besides, Bavarians have no squeamish sensitiveness about *lèse Majesté* when it applies to the Emperor.

Kissing the Rose: The Latest Craze in Paris

For want of a more interesting novelty, Paris has invented a new religion. As far as I can gather, it is little more than a blend of the old Greek adoration of beauty and the archaic Christianity of Asia Minor. There is no doubt that already it has attracted many, especially members of the aristocratic, literary, and artistic worlds. A pretty actress, who is the chief attraction at one of the *bonbonnières* in the Rue Caumartin, is a deaconess, and I understand that a young Countess, who is closely connected with the family of one of Napoleon's generals, has a similar title. A very popular playwright, a brilliant journalist, a noted *danseuse*, the editor of a very staid monthly review, are also converts. The religion is decidedly æsthetic, and its followers believe that beauty is a saving grace, and that all that is ugly should be abhorred. This new cult has been described as a new gnostic religion. The number of the followers is of little importance, provided that they are wholehearted and sincere. So far, half of France is organised into dioceses and provinces, under the supreme guidance of Synesius, Primate of Albi, who is Grand Master of the Order of the Dove of Paracletus. The adepts take new names on entering the Church, and among the chief dignitaries are people called Guilhabertier, Ram, Sergius, Lysesta, Pylax, and Esteya, Herles, Sanctaletta, who are deaconesses. The service is very simple, and closely resembles the Roman Catholic Mass, but the worshippers commune by kissing a rose.



Photo] **King Alfonso Celebrates the War of Independence** *[Nuevo Mundo*

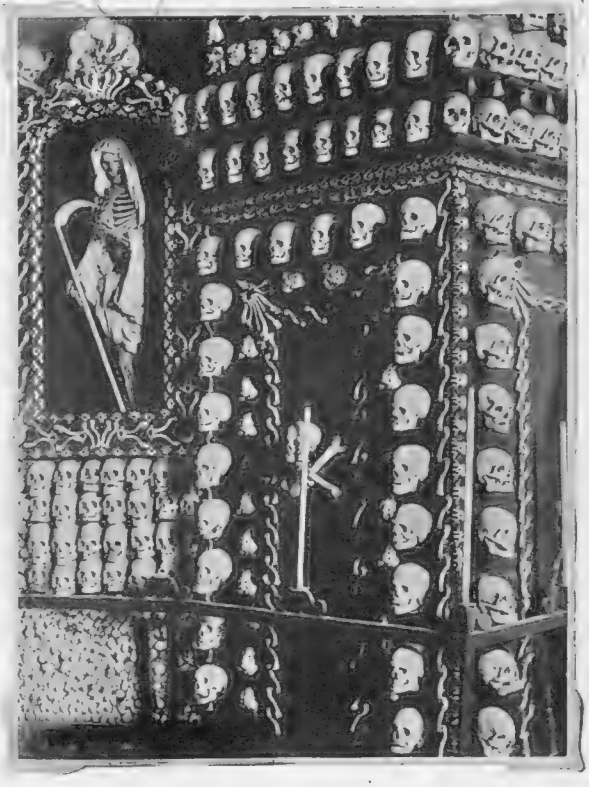
At the Royal Academy of Spain was recently commemorated the War of Independence. King Alfonso presided over an assembly of Princes and Royal Academicians, one of whom delivered an eloquent address, and odes written in honour of the heroes of the Independence were recited

In Once-Neglected Malta

WHICH THE CONNAUGHTS HAVE MADE FASHIONABLE

Every Native Woman of Malta Wears this Peculiar Head-dress

It is called "The Hood of Shame," because it was adopted by the women in memory of their treatment by the licentious French soldiery in 1788, and has been worn ever since



One of the Many Unearthly Things to be Seen in Malta

The skull-decorated "Chapel of Bones." Everybody visits the Catacombs of the Capuchins to see the "baked monks," as the desiccated bodies of the defunct Brothers are called

A View of Malta Hospital in its Charming Grounds, with a Glimpse of the Country

Malta is rapidly coming to the front as a Mediterranean resort. The Duke and Duchess of Connaught are largely responsible for the livening up of the interesting garrison island, which bids fair to rival even Cairo as the haunt of fashionable people in the season

MIRABILIA URBIS ROMÆ: THE

The general appearance of the Roman Forum as it now presents itself to us after the latest excavations does not much differ from its appearance at any time during the last ten years. But what a world of splendour has been revealed to us during that period! In that decade more fragments of the "grandeur that was Rome" have been dug out of the Forum than at any time since excavations in the name of scientific archæological research began. For centuries, of course, the Forum was the quarry of the mediæval builders of Rome, and frightful havoc, perhaps greater than the disasters of war, was wrought upon old Rome's glorious buildings. The history of the Forum, in a very special sense, is the history of Rome itself. It reached splendour with Rome's splendour; it suffered with Rome's sufferings; it decayed with Rome's decay. Most of us, when wandering amo among the tombs. We dwell too much upon the se temple and basilica, triumphal arch and statue, sh behind. Or we linger with the phantasies of Legend figures. Let us for a moment think of the Forum a world. With Plautus, in his comedy, "Curculio," bloodier history of this haunted region—the destruc the burnings; the lamentable stroke of death all the

RESURRECTION OF THE FORUM

these ruins, fall into a mood as of contemplation
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ve crumbled away, leaving but these few racks
ich has filled the region with a thousand dim
was, the heart of Rome, the microcosm of the
dwell on the lighter side of things, leaving the
Vandal and Goth, the massacres, the murders,
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tells where all the people of the city, good, bad and indifferent, were to be ound. It is as though Bernard Shaw were describing with caustic tongue the life of Piccadilly, Oxford Street, the Stock Exchange, Bond Street, and the Fish-market: "If for perjurers you are seeking, look in the Comitium. If you wish for liars and boasters, go to Cloacina's shrine. Husbands wasting their wives' fortunes meet in the Basilica. Courtesans with checkered history, and fierce cut-throats, meet there too, while the *gourmets* throng the fish-mart, buying tid-bits for their feasts. . . . In the old booths are the usurers who loan money out at interest, while behind the shrine of Castor gather men who've lost their credit. . . The Velabrum holds the bakers, butchers, and soothsayers."

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HERCULES AND APHRODITE

By LEONARD MERRICK

(Author of "The House of Lynch," "Whispers About Women," etc.)

MADEMOISELLE CLAIRETTE used to say that if a danseuse could not throw a glance to the conductor of the band without the juggler being jealous, the Variety Profession was coming to a pretty pass. She also remarked that for a girl to entrust her life's happiness to a jealous suitor would be an act of lunacy. And then "Little Flouflou, the Juggling Genius," who was dying to marry her, would suffer tortures. He tried hard to conquer his failing, but it must be owned that Clairette's glances were very expressive, and that she distributed them indiscriminately. In Chartres, one night, he was so upset that he missed the umbrella, and the cigar, and the hat one after another, and instead of condoling with him when he came off the stage, all she said was "Butter-fingers!"

"Promise to be my wife," he would entreat; "it is not knowing where I am that gives me the pip. If you consented, I should be as right as rain—your word is as good to me as any Management's contract. I trust you; it is only myself that I doubt—every time you look at a man I wonder, 'Am I up to that chap's mark, is my "turn" as clever as his, isn't it likely he will cut me out with her?' If you only belonged to me I should never be jealous again as long as I lived. Straight!"

And Clairette would answer firmly, "Poor boy, you couldn't help it—you are made like that. There'd be ructions every week, I should be for ever in hot water. I like you very much, Flouflou, but I'm not going to play the giddy goat. Chuck it!"

Nevertheless, he continued to worship her—from her tawdry tiara to her tinselled shoes—and everybody was sure that it would be a match one day. That is to say, everybody was sure of it until the Strong Man had joined the troupe.

Hercule was advertised as "The Great Paris Star." Holding himself very erect, he strutted, in his latticed foot-gear, with stiff little steps, and inflated lungs, to the footlights, and tore chains to pieces as easily as other people tear bills. He lay down and supported a posse of mere mortals, and a van-load of "properties" on his chest, and regained his feet with a skip and a smirk. He——but his achievements are well known. Preceding these feats of force was a feature of his entertainment which Hercule enjoyed inordinately. He stood on a pedestal and struck attitudes to show the splendour of his physique. Wearing only a girdle of tiger-skin, and bathed in limelight, he felt himself to be as glorious as a god. The applause was a nightly intoxication to him. He lived for it. All day he looked forward to the moment when he could mount the pedestal again and make his biceps jump, and exhibit the magnificence of his highly developed back to hundreds of wondering eyes. No woman was ever vainer of her form than was Hercule of his. No woman ever contemplated her charms more tenderly than Hercule regarded his muscles. The latter half of his "turn" was fatiguing, but to posture in the limelight, while the audience stared open-mouthed and admired his nakedness, that was fine; it was dominion; it was bliss.

Hercule had never experienced a great passion—the passion of vanity excepted—never waited in the rain at a street corner for a coquette who did not come, nor sighed, like the juggler, under the window of a girl who flouted his declarations. He had but accepted homage. So when he fell in love with Clairette, he didn't know what to make of it.

For Clairette, sprightly as she was, did not encourage Hercule. He at once attracted and repelled her. When he rent chains, and poised prodigious weights above his head, she thrilled at his prowess, but the next time he "attitudinised" in the tiger-skin she turned up her nose. She recognised something feminine in the giant. Instinct told her that by disposition the Strong Man was less manly than Little Flouflou, whom he could have swung like an Indian-club.

No, Hercule didn't know what to make of it. It was a new and painful thing to find himself the victim instead of the conqueror. For once in his career, he hung about the wings wistfully, seeking a sign of approval. For once he displayed his majestic figure on the pedestal blankly conscious of being viewed by a woman whom he failed to impress.

"What do you think of my turn?" he questioned at last.

"Oh, I have seen worse," was all she granted.

The giant winced.

"I am the strongest man in the world," he proclaimed.

"I have never met a Strong Man who wasn't!" said she.

"But there is someone stronger than I am," he owned humbly. (Hercule humble!) "Do you know what you have done to me, Clairette? You have made a fool of me, my dear."

"Don't be so cheeky," she returned. "Who gave you leave to call me 'my dear,' and 'Clairette'? A little more politeness, if you please, monsieur!" And she cut the conversation short as unceremoniously as if he had been a super.

The Public, who have seen Hercule only in his "act"—who think of him as superb, supreme—may find it difficult to credit the statement, but, honestly, the Great Star used to trot at her heels like a poodle. And she was not a beauty by any means, with her impudent nose, and her mouth that was too big to defy criticism. Perhaps it was her carriage that fascinated him, the grace of her slender figure, which he could have snapped as a child snaps jumbles. Perhaps it was those eyes, which unwittingly promised more than she gave. Perhaps, above all, it was her indifference. Yes, on consideration, it must have been her indifferent air, the novelty of being scorned, that made him a slave.

But, of course, she was more flattered by his bondage than she showed. Every night he planted himself in

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A Fair Flor de Havana

Photo *Dover Street Studios*

MISS JEAN AYLWIN

Now playing the Cigar Seller in "Havana," the successful Gaiety production, in which her singing, acting, and dancing talents are afforded full scope

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the Prompt Entrance to watch her dance and clap his powerful hands in adulation. She could not be insensible to the compliment, though her smiles were oftenest for Flouflou, who planted himself, adulating, on the opposite side. *Adagio! Allegretto! Vivace!* Unperceived by the audience, the gaze of the two men would meet across the stage with misgiving. Each feared the other's attentions to her. Each wished with all his heart that the other would get the sack. They glared at each other horribly. And meanwhile, the orchestra played its sweetest, and Clairette pirouetted her best, and the Public, approving the obvious, saw nothing of the intensity of the situation.

Imagine the emotions of the little juggler, jealous by temperament, jealous even without cause, now that he beheld a giant laying siege to her affections!

And then, on a certain evening, Clairette threw but two smiles to Flouflou, and three to Hercule.

The truth is that she did not attach so much significance to the smiles as did the opponents who counted them. But that accident was momentous. The Strong Man made her a burning offer of marriage within half an hour; and next, the juggler made her furious reproaches.

Now she had rejected the Strong Man—and, coming when they did, the juggler's reproaches had a totally different effect from the one that he had intended. So far from exciting her sympathy towards him, they accentuated her compassion for Hercule. How stricken he had been by her refusal! She could not help remembering his despair as he sat huddled on the hamper, a giant that she had crushed. Flouflou was a thankless little pig, she reflected, for, as a matter of fact, he had had a good deal to do with her decision. She had deserved a better reward than to be abused by him!

Yes, her sentiments towards Hercule were newly tender, and an event of the next night intensified them. It was Hercule's custom, in every town that the "Constellation" visited, to issue a challenge. He pledged himself to present a "Purse of Gold"—it contained a ten-franc piece—to any eight men who vanquished him in a tug-of-war. The spectacle was always an immense success—the eight yokels straining, and tumbling over one another, while Hercule, wearing a masterful smile, kept his ten francs untouched. A tug-of-war had been arranged for the night following, and, by every law of prudence, Hercule should have abstained from the bottle during the day.

But he did not. His misery sent discretion headlong to the winds. Every time that he groaned for the danseuse he took another drink, and when the time came for him to go to the show, the giant was as drunk as a lord. The force of habit enabled him to fulfil some of his stereotyped performance; he emerged from that without disgrace; but when the eight brawny competitors lumbered on to the boards, his heart sank. The other artists winked at one another appreciatively, and the Manager hopped with apprehension.

Sure enough, the hero's legs made strange trips to-night. The sixteen arms pulled him, not only over the chalk line, but all over the stage. They played havoc with him. And then the Manager had to go on and make a speech, besides, because the "Purse of Gold" aroused dissatisfaction. The fiasco was hideous.

"Ah, Clairette," moaned the Strong Man, pitifully "it was all through you!"

What woman could have heard that without emotion?

"Through me?" she murmured, faltering.

"I'm not a toper," muttered Hercule, whom the disaster had sobered. "If I took too much to-day, it was because I had got such a hump."

"But why be mashed on me, Hercule?" she pleaded; "why not think of me as a pal?"

"You're talking silly," grunted Hercule.

"Perhaps so," she confessed. "But I'm awfully sorry the show went so rotten."

"Cackle is cheap!"

"Why should I kid about it?"

"If you really meant it, you would take back what you said yesterday."

"Oh!"

"You see! What's the good of gassing? As soon as I ask anything of you, you dry up. Bah! I daresay you will guy me just as much as all the rest. I know you!"

"If you weren't in trouble, I'd give you a thick ear for that," she said. "You ungrateful brute!" She turned haughtily away.

"Clairette!"

"Oh, rats!"

"Don't get the needle! I'm off my rocker to-night."

"Ah!" Her hand was swift. "That's all right, cully! I've been there myself."

"Clairette?" He caught her close.

"Here, what are you at?" she cried. "Drop it!"

"Clairette? Say 'yes.' I'm loony about you. There's a duck! I'll be a daisy of a husband. Won't you?"

"Oh, I—I don't know," she stammered.

And thus they were betrothed.

To express what Flouflou felt would be but to harrow the reader's sensibilities. What he said—rendered into English—was:

"I'd rather you had given me the go-by for any cove in the crowd but that swine!"

They were in the ladies' dressing-room. "The Two Bonbons" had not finished their duet, and he was alone with her for a moment. She was pinning a "tail" into her back hair, in front of the scrap of looking-glass against the filthy wall.

"You don't do yourself any good with me, Flouflou, by calling Hercule names," she replied icily.

"So he is!"

"Oh, you are jealous of him," she retorted.

"Of course I am jealous of him," owned Flouflou; "you can't rile me by saying that! Didn't I love you first? And a lump better than *he* does!"

"Now you're talking through your hat!"

"You usedn't to take any truck of him, yourself, at the beginning. He only got round you because he was drunk and queered his business. *I* have been drunk, too—you didn't say you'd marry *me*! It's not in him to love any girl for long—he's too sweet on himself."

"Look here," she exclaimed, "I've had enough. Hook it! And don't you speak to me any more. Understand?" She put the hairpins aside, and began to whitewash her hands and arms.

"That's the straight tip," said Flouflou, brokenly; "I'm off. Well, I wish you luck, old dear!"

"Running him down to me like that! A dirty trick, I call it."

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The Lounger's Paradise

FAVOURITE HAUNTS ON THE NORFOLK BROADS

On the River Thurn

This is one of the streams most favoured of yachtsmen in Broadland, for with it are connected Hickling, the largest Broad (400 acres). Horsey Mere, famous for its pike, and the reedy but beautiful Heigham Sounds. In few districts, brought into such easy distance of London by the Great Eastern Railway, can the unenergetic but healthful holiday be better spent

Beautiful Belaugh Reach, Near Wroxham

Belaugh, a small and private piece of water, is the last of the Bure Broads, and is situated almost opposite to Wroxham Church. The village of Belaugh is one of the prettiest in the district, with its ancient church and charming riverside gardens

On Wroxham Broad

This lovely sheet of water, a mile long and over a hundred acres in extent, is one of the yachtsman's favourite haunts. It is the deepest of the Broads, and the largest cruising yachts can sail on it everywhere except close in shore. Within easy reach is old Wroxham village and church

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"I never meant to, straight; I——Sorry, Clairette!" He lingered at the door. "I suppose I shall have to say 'Madame' soon?"

"Footle!" she murmured, moved.

"You've not got your knife into me, have you, Clairette? I didn't mean to be a beast. I'd have gone to hell for you, that's all, and I wish I was dead!"

"Silly kid!" she faltered, blinking. And then "The Two Bonbons" came back to doff their costumes, and he was turned out.

Never had Hercule been so puffed up. His knowledge of the juggler's sufferings made the victory more rapturous still. No longer did Flouflou stand Opposite Prompt to watch Clairette's dance; no longer did he loiter about the passages after the curtain was down, on the chance of being permitted to escort her to her doorstep. Such privileges were the Strong Man's alone. She was affianced to him! At the swelling thought, his chest became Brobdingnagian. His bounce in company was now colossal; and it afforded the troupe a popular entertainment to see him drop to servility in her presence. Her frown was sufficient to reduce him to a cringe. They called him the "Quick-change artist."

But Hercule scarcely minded cringing to her; at all events he scarcely minded it in a tête-à-tête. She was unique. He would have run to her whistle, and fawned at her kick. She had agreed to marry him in a few weeks' time, and his head swam at the prospect. Visions of the future dazzled him. When he saw her home after the performance, he used to talk of the joint engagements they would get by and by—"not in side shows like this, but in first-class halls"—and of how tremendously happy they were going to be. And then Clairette would stifle a sigh and say, "Oh, yes, of course!" and try to persuade herself that she had no regrets.

Meanwhile the Constellation had not been playing to such good business as the Manager had anticipated. He had done a bold thing in obtaining Hercule—who, if not so famous as the posters pretended, was at least a couple of rungs above the other humble mountebanks—and the box-office ought to have yielded better results. Dupont was anxious. He asked himself what the Public wanted. Simultaneously he pondered the idea of a further attraction, and perspired at the thought of any further expense.

At this time, the "Living Statuary" turn was the latest craze in the variety halls of fashion, and one day poor Dupont, casting an expert eye on his danseuse, questioned why she should not be billed, a town or two ahead, as "Aphrodite, the Animated Statue, Direct from Paris."

To question was to act. The weather was mild, and, though Clairette experienced pangs of modesty when she learnt that the Statue's "costume" was to be applied with a sponge, she could not assert that she would be in danger of taking a chill. Besides, her salary was to be raised a trifle.

Dupont rehearsed her assiduously (Madame Dupont in attendance), and, to his joy, she displayed a remarkable gift for adopting the poses. As "The Bather" she promised to be entrancing; and, until she wobbled, her "Nymph at the Fountain" was a pure delight. Moreover, thanks to her accomplishments as a dancer, she did not wobble very badly.

All the same, when the date of her début arrived, she was extremely nervous. Elated by his inspiration, Dupont had for once been prodigal with the printing, and on her way to the stage door, it seemed to her that the name of "Aphrodite" flamed from every hoarding in the place. Hercule met her with encouraging words, but the ordeal was not one that she wished to discuss with him, and he took leave of her very much afraid that she would break down.

What was his astonishment to hear her greeted with salvoes of applause. Dupont's enterprise had undoubtedly done the trick. The little hall rocked with enthusiasm, and, cloaked in a voluminous garment, "Aphrodite" had to bow her acknowledgments again and again. When the time came for Hercule's own postures, they fell, by comparison, quite flat.

"Ciel!" she babbled, on the homeward walk; "who would have supposed that I should go so strong? If I knock them like this next week, too, I shall make Dupont spring a bit more!" She looked towards her lover for congratulations; so far he had been rather unsatisfactory.

"Oh, well," he mumbled, "it was a very good audience, you know, I never saw a more generous house—you can't expect to catch on like it anywhere else."

His tone puzzled her. Though she was quite alive to the weaknesses of the profession, she could not believe that her triumph could give umbrage to her fiancé. Hercule, her adorer, to be annoyed because she had received more "hands" than he had? Oh, it was mean of her to fancy such a thing!

But she was conscious that he had never wished her "pleasant dreams" so briefly as he did that night, and the Strong Man, on his side, was conscious of a strange depression. He could not shake it off. The next evening, too, he felt it. Wherever he went, he heard praises of her proportions. The dancing girl had, in fact, proved to be beautifully formed, and it could not be disputed that "Aphrodite" had wiped "Hercules" out. Her success was repeated in every town. Morosely now did he make his biceps jump, and exhibit the splendours of his back—his poses commanded no more than half the admiration evoked by hers. His muscles had been surpassed by her graces. Her body had outvied his own!

Oh, she was dear to him, but he was an artist! There are trials that an artist cannot bear. He hesitated to refer to the subject, but when he nursed her on his lap, he thought what a great fool the Public was to prefer this ordinary woman to a marvellous man. He derived less rapture from nursing her. He eyed her critically. His devotion was cankered by resentment.

And each evening the resentment deepened. And each evening it forced him to the wings against his will. He stood watching, though every burst of approval wrung his heart. Soured, and sexless, he watched her. An intense jealousy of the slim nude figure posturing in the limelight took possession of him. It had robbed him of his plaudits! He grew to hate it, to loathe the white loveliness that had dethroned him. It was no longer the figure of a mistress that he viewed, but the figure of a rival. If he had dared, he would have hissed her.

Finally, he found it impossible to address her with civility. And Clairette married Flouflou, after all.

LEONARD MERRICK.

Episcopal Shavianisms

Photo *Ellis and Walery*

The Bishop of Chelsea (Mr. Henry Ainley) and Miss Edith Bridgenorth (Miss Auriol Lee) in "Getting Married," at the Haymarket

THE BISHOP: "Perhaps it was a presentiment that it might become a part of our old Bridgenorth burden that made me warn our Government so earnestly that unless the law of marriage were first made human it could never be divine"

Mr. Bernard Shaw's "conversation" is now filling the evening bill at the Haymarket, and the Shavianisms on the subject of Matrimony, as interpreted by the admirable cast, are, despite the critics, interesting the public—not least those who ARE getting married

Canada: The Land of the Future

Mr. G. Haswell Veitch

The enterprising General Manager of the Confederation Life Association (of Canada) in this Country

To-day the cry on all sides is "To Canada—to Canada, the land of the brave and the free, the land of prosperity and bright outlook!" All eyes are turning towards our great Dominion in the West, which undoubtedly has such a limitless future before it. But are the good things all in store? No, not by a very long way. Good times have come already, but even better times are still ahead. An index to its prosperity is given by the fact that in 1906-7 its imports exceeded those of 1904-5 by nearly £15,000,000, while its total exports for 1906-7 reached the grand figures of £54,441,321 as against £43,890,576 in the previous year. Truly it is *the* land of the future.

HEAD OFFICE BUILDINGS
OF THE
CONFEDERATION LIFE ASSOCIATION, TORONTO, CANADA,
Showing Extensive New Addition.

A concern, therefore, which has Funds invested in some of the soundest and most profitable Securities of the Dominion is in a position second to none, and this is the happy state of affairs in the case of the Confederation Life Association of Toronto, whose claims are now being brought particularly to the notice of the Mother Country. Founded thirty-seven years ago, it has grown with the Country, and is now an absolutely safe and sound institution, annually inspected by the Insurance Department of the Canadian Government. Its Assets, exclusive of the uncalled Capital Stock, amount to £2,628,438, the funds being invested in First Mortgages on the Security of Real Estate, Government and Municipal Bonds, and loans on the Company's policies, etc., all securities of the highest class and yielding a much higher rate of interest than it is possible to obtain in this Country with such absolute safety. The result is that the Association's Invested Funds have for the last few years realised considerably over 5 per cent. The Company's Balance Sheets almost invariably show profits accruing from the sale of securities, and the Association is to be heartily congratulated on this splendid result. These facts are not to be blinked at, for not only is real property value still increasing, but these profits all substantially benefit the policy-holders, for the larger the profits are the better the bonuses, whereby those insured may either increase the total amount of their policy or substantially reduce the amount of their premiums.

This Country to Benefit

As already mentioned, the Association is now established in this Country, its Chief Office for the United Kingdom being at Temple Bar House, 23-28, Fleet Street, London, E.C., where one of the most enterprising and sound business men, Mr. G. Haswell Veitch, is installed as Manager. Its policies are up to date in every respect, and have many important features not granted by every Company. For instance, policy-holders are under no restrictions with regard to travel or occupation; substantial cash and loan values are guaranteed in the policies, while—a point of great interest—there are valuable non-forfeiture provisions, by which holders of Life and Endowment Policies are entitled to Extended Assurance, their policies being absolutely non-forfeitable after three years from date of issue. Should the premium not be paid, the policy does not become void, but the reserve value is applied, without application on the part of the insured, in the purchase of extended or term insurance.

Scientific Saving

This principle of insurance being the most scientific method of saving is now very generally realised, but it requires still to be brought home to very many. It is the duty of every man—and most women—to avail themselves of the advantages afforded them by the many methods of insurance in vogue. None can afford to neglect this, but to obtain the full benefits of this necessary step the claims of such an excellent Institution as the Confederation Life Association, with its vigour and firm foundations, demand the fullest consideration. Undoubtedly its prospects are equalled by few, and excelled by none, and we venture to predict a bright future for the Association in the United Kingdom.

THE LIBRARY

By VIVIAN CARTER

BOOKS OF THE WEEK

"Keepers of the House." By Cosmo Hamilton. (John Long: 6s.)

"Pleasure and Problem in South Africa." By Cecil Harmsworth, M.P. (John Lane: 6s. net.)

"Education, Personality, and Crime." By Dr. Albert Wilson. (Greening: 7s. 6d. net.)

Heirs and Graces

The shortage of heirs in ducal families is a perennial topic of real interest which has again come up over the "happy event" of Arundel. It happens to be the theme of Mr. Cosmo Hamilton's new novel, *Keepers of the House* (Long: 6s.). Here we are introduced to the weakling head of a great house, who, married to an admirable woman, is unblessed by a male successor. Somewhat on the lines of the notorious *Three Weeks* is the sequel. The Duchess, after years of unwonted fruitlessness, strays: falls in love with another man, and becomes a mother of a son. Great dramatic action follows on the Duke's realisation of the situation. Mr. Hamilton has, here, given us the most powerful and moving novel he has yet produced. Particularly interesting is his analysis of the character and emotions of the defecting Duchess. The novel proves that it is possible to treat these vital problems of sex delicately and without indecorous suggestion, and yet vitally. The world will ever be baffled as to the justification for such a weakness as that of the woman in question, and in the case of Mary Bellenden, it is likely to give its approval.

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Glance at a Troubled Land

Mr. Cecil Harmsworth, M.P., has just "done" South Africa. He has admired Table Mountain, been interested by Kimberley, thrilled by the Matoppos, awed by the Victoria Falls, just a little, perhaps, bored by Johannesburg, and entirely fascinated by Durban. The record of his trip, *Pleasure and Problem in South Africa* (John Lane: 6s.), is quite a readable book, full of a sort of Liberal-Imperialist philosophy—for Mr. Harmsworth is of that political way of thinking and voting. One derives from these pages the impression that South Africa is rapidly, indeed, acquiring the idea of nationality, whether it federates *à la* Jameson or unifies *à la* Bond. Mr. Harmsworth is optimistic as to its future. Who can tell, he asks, that in years to come there may not be a regatta on Henley dimensions on the Zambesi?

Africa has yet many surprises in store, and Rhodesia has unrolled only one or two pages of its history.

I am glad Mr. Harmsworth is not impressed by Johannesburg, disliking its unpicturesqueness and its dreadful convenience.

People in Johannesburg talk of one street being so many "blocks" from another, just as they do in New York and Chicago. There is a sameness about these American and Colonial towns that tends to disappointment and fatigue. In the City of London the oldest inhabitant is always finding strange alleys, forgotten churches, and unknown turnings, and every day's walk in the luncheon hour brings with it something of the charm of novelty and surprise. In Johannesburg, or any other town after the same model, you learn all there is to be known of its geography in the course of an afternoon's walk.

There's the answer to the fiend who comes among us and cavils at our London topography. He needs it badly.

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Cecil Rhodes and the Chinese Labourer

Regarding one or two other points in this interesting little volume, it seems to me that Mr. Harmsworth is needlessly apologetic for Cecil Rhodes, whom he describes as "by no means a futile and wasted force." Surely, by now, the memory of the greatness of the man's ideas is sufficiently demonstrated by the present colorisation of the map of Africa. His "mistakes," if remembered at all, are remembered by most

Lord Alfred Douglas with his little Son at a country retreat in Wiltshire last year

Lord Alfred, as Editor of the *Academy*, has lately come to loggerheads with Mr. Bernard Shaw as to a criticism in his journal of *Getting Married*, upon which Mr. Shaw accused the critic of being "frightfully drunk" (*Reproduced by kind permission of Lord Alfred Douglas*)

Englishmen as mighty fine ones. Lastly, I think it a pity Mr. Harmsworth mars the value of his criticism by a somewhat rhetorical lament over the ethics of Chinese labour—"a frightful anti-climax after the heroic sacrifices of a war waged in the interests of British freedom," etc., etc. This is excellent on the hustings; in the library, it is unconvincing. For Mr. Harmsworth knows, and we know, that the actual lot of the Chinese coolie is no whit worse, and possibly a shade better, than that of any other kind of coloured—or even white—underground labourer.

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Shaw v. Douglas

The dispute now raging in the *Academy* between two no less interesting but contrasted personalities than Mr. Bernard Shaw and Lord Alfred Douglas, makes somewhat painful reading. Lord Alfred—who acts as Editor of our contemporary, and has made it reflective of his views on most subjects, not excluding literature—went to see *Getting Married*, but was, apparently, not interested enough to listen very attentively. Thinking he heard the waiter confess that

his mother was very fond of men, and was in the habit of bringing them home at night,

he blushed. And he went back to the office and construed that blush into the best Douglas invective. Now what, apparently, does happen in the play is that—(I quote Mr. Shaw himself)—

The greengrocer who is in charge of the wedding breakfast describes certain escapades of his sister-in-law, who ran away from home several times. He adds that the men "brought her home the same night, and no harm done."

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Was Anybody Drunk?

Well, the perversion was a bad one. But Mr. Shaw need hardly have written to the *Academy* accusing the writer of the article of being "frightfully drunk." That was as offensive as the original offence was negligent. Furthermore, if Mr. Shaw had a really good friend, it was the Editor of the *Academy*. Differ, as he certainly does, from Mr. Shaw's literary and philosophical views, Lord Alfred has staunchly stood up for his genius. Was it not the *Academy* which, a few months ago, made the first protest against the twaddle which appeared as criticism in a certain daily newspaper whenever a Shaw play was produced—a protest which, somehow, secured, in the most effective possible way, a speedy stoppage of the nuisance? I am glad to be able, by Lord Alfred Douglas's kind permission, to reproduce on this page a recent photograph of him, at his country home.

Photo *E.N.A.*

Tolstoy's "Jubilee"

This portrait of the writer and his wife is selling like wildfire throughout Russia. Tolstoy's eightieth birthday celebration takes place on August 28. An English Committee has been formed to prepare a congratulatory address, and to publish a cheap edition of all his writings in English

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Scientific Self-Knowledge

Education, Personality, and Crime, by Dr. Albert Wilson (Greening: 7*s.* 6*d.*), is a profound and most instructive treatise. The author feels that biology and psychology are not, as yet, properly recognised as exact sciences. To do something towards helping us to understand ourselves scientifically, he, in this work, surveys mankind from China to Peru, and puts us right on such matters as our structure, growth, evolution, etc. He discourses exhaustively upon cells, and fertilisation, and heredity. Tells us about our bodies, our brains, and our nerves, and lastly about our relations to Society and Empire.

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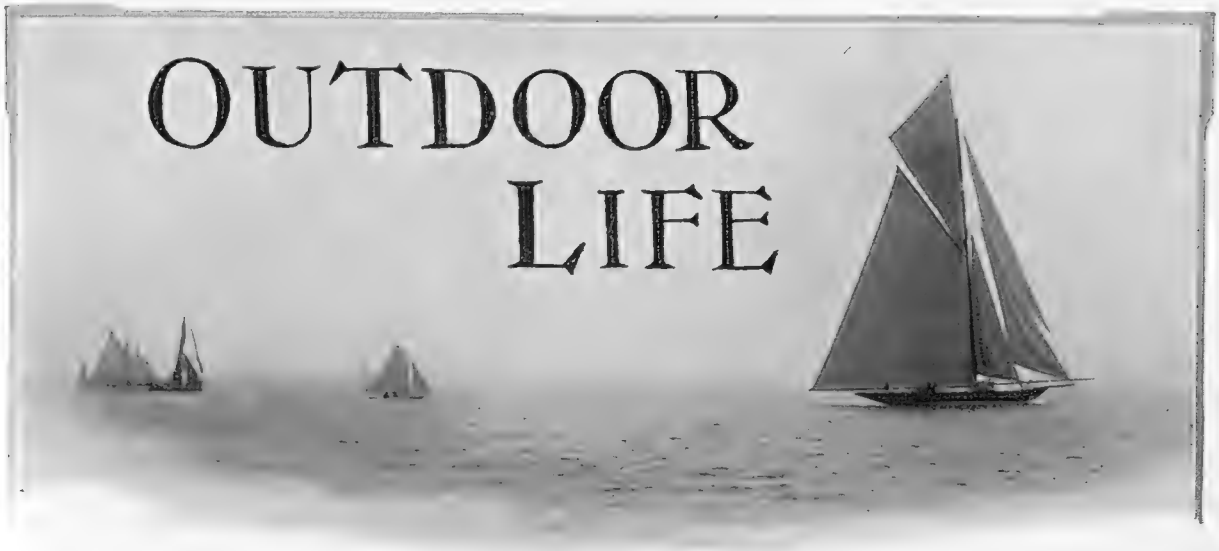
Is Science Over-Reaching Itself?

Now, the question I am disposed to ask, after reading, on a very warm day, such a book as this, is whether Science is not over-reaching itself in seeking to apply its methods so closely to problems of human nature? It is quite true that you can, if you look at it that way, reduce character, emotion, intellect, and the other constituents of the *ego* to formulæ. As the chemist thinks of water as H_2O and salt as NaCl, no doubt Dr. Wilson could think of Shakespeare as $\frac{A \div B^2}{C}$ or of Bill Sykes as $\frac{X \div Y^2}{Z}$. If one sees life as a science, by all means loosen on it all the scientist's bag of tricks. It is a matter of taste. But it is a little arbitrary to seek to enforce upon the world, as Dr. Wilson does, a scientific conception of the human race. There are those who prefer to regard life as an art. A purely scientific conception of the human race and its members is only half a conception—and he who has it is only half a philosopher. There is no God in Dr. Wilson's cosmos, and whether or no one believes in the personal Deity, it is presumptuous to speculate on Man's origin and destiny without, at least, an admission of the existence of a Mystery. V. C.

OUTDOOR LIFE



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"Shamrock" IV. Wins Her First Race

At the opening event of the season of the New Thames Yacht Club from Southend to Harwich, Sir Thomas Lipton's new racing yacht, *Shamrock IV.*, secured a splendid victory, finishing the distance in 6 hr. 10 min. Our photograph shows the *Shamrock* finishing her splendid run. Her race with *White Heather* at the Harwich Regatta was, unfortunately, spoilt by a foul

YACHTING

The Cracks at Harwich

The race between *Shamrock* and *White Heather* at Harwich Regatta on June 1 was, unfortunately, spoilt by a foul. On the previous Saturday, in the race from Southend to Harwich, *Shamrock* had won pretty easily, but at this, their second meeting, *White Heather* got away with the lead and held it nearly all through the race. Towards the end of it, however, *Shamrock* came up on her fast, and was passing her at the entrance to Harwich Harbour when the foul referred to occurred. *Shamrock* was adjudged to be in the wrong, so that, although she was home first by over a minute, the race went to *White Heather*. Enough has now been seen to show that there will be some fine racing between these ships before the season is over, and in fresh or strong winds, or where there is much sailing with sheets eased off, I fancy *White Heather* will quite hold her own.

Photo *Bolak*

M. Farman Wins a Wager

At Ghent recently, M. Farman was successful in winning a wager made with M. Charran, by flying a distance of over 1,200 metres in a straight line. He had as a passenger M. Archdeacon, the donor of the Archdeacon prize

CRICKET

The Time Limit Again

The refusal of Australia to take part in the proposed "triangular" series of test matches between England, South Africa, and Australia in this country next season has set everybody speculating as to the reason for it, although I suppose that if we wait patiently we shall hear the reason—or the alleged reason—when the letter confirming the cablegram which has announced Australia's decision arrives. I am inclined to think that if any reason is forthcoming it will be that the Australians object to the limit of three days being put upon the matches, and are standing out for the adoption of the practice (which they themselves originated) of playing to a finish, irrespective of time. If this is so, I hope that the other two countries will not be induced to give way upon the point, for cricket without a time limit is not cricket at all, but something else, and a consumedly dull game at that. At first there was something alluring about the notion of ensuring a definite result being arrived at; but this was before the public quite realised how completely the change would revolutionise the nature and tactics of the game. They are wiser now, and if the Australians mean to stay at home unless their method of playing "Tests" is adopted in England I do not fancy that many tears will be shed over their absence.

The Financial Point of View

Another, and a more sinister, reason for Australia's refusal which has been more than hinted at is that the prospect of the proposed tournament proving a financial success is not sufficiently assured. The Australian amateur on tour is not merely allowed his expenses;

A Famous Pack for Sale

he may (and generally does) participate in the profits accruing from matches played by his side. Moreover, he likes to feel tolerably sure before he starts that there *will* be profits; the beauty of giving his services *gratis* does not appeal to him. It may well be, therefore, that the *élite* of Australian cricket, having been approached, have come to the conclusion that the proposed tournament is "not good enough" from their point of view, and that the reason for Australia's refusal will be delicately stated to be the improbability of her being able to raise a representative team.

FLYING

Not all "Wright"

It is not all "Wright" in the aeroplane world just now, for the exploits (authenticated) of M. Delagrange before the Roman public have eclipsed most of the records (unauthenticated) of the famous American brothers. The latter may prove their claims shortly, but meantime we must necessarily be more interested in the feats of such aeroplanists as M. Farman and M. Delagrange. On Sunday week the latter beat all previous aeroplane records by flying ten miles in fifteen minutes around the Drill Ground at Rome, only returning to *terra-firma* when all his benzine fuel was exhausted. This is a very substantial increase on all former performances, M. Farman's best flight having been 2 miles 1,540 yards, and M. Delagrange's a distance of 2 miles 880 yards. M. Farman, by the way, has also just won a wager by flying a distance of 1,200 metres in a straight line. This feat took place at Ghent, and he had M. Archdeacon as a passenger.

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The retiring Master and Huntsman of the Woodland Pytchley Hounds

'VARSITY NOTES

Cambridge Doings

There is yet room for much improvement among the lower boats on the river. In hot weather, such as is being experienced this term, the requisite "vim" for good rowing is certainly more difficult of attainment, while hard "courses" are terribly exhausting. Although, however, a boat that is fast at the start may often make bumps on the Cam, yet for crews that are going on to Henley, plenty of staying power over a course is essential. Corpus, a small but keen rowing college, have good form, but do not look like staying. Sidney are not shaping very well at present. They have suffered much from "crockings" this year. Magdalene have lost some of the form they had earlier in the term. St. Catharine's have plenty of work in the boat, but less style. The achievements of the 'Varsity cricket team this term are, so far, disappointing. The match with Yorkshire would have been a *débâcle* had it not been for R. A. Young, while to Lancashire they have lost by 171 runs, in spite of a contribution by F. H. Mugliston, the 'Varsity Soccer captain, of 109 in the first innings and 56 in the second. The 'Varsity lawn tennis pairs are getting better together. The match against Kent was won by six to three. At water-polo the 'Varsity lost to Richmond by four goals to one.

May Week Prospects

May Week promises to be unusually gay this year. The tale of balls and concerts is longer than ever, and

Photo:] The Well-known Woodland Pytchley Pack, which is now for Sale [*L.N.A.*

The Rev. E. A. Milne, the only parson M.F.H., is next season taking the Woodland Pytchley, and Mr. W. M. Wroughton, the retiring Master, is selling the pack at Rugby. It is one of the finest in the kingdom

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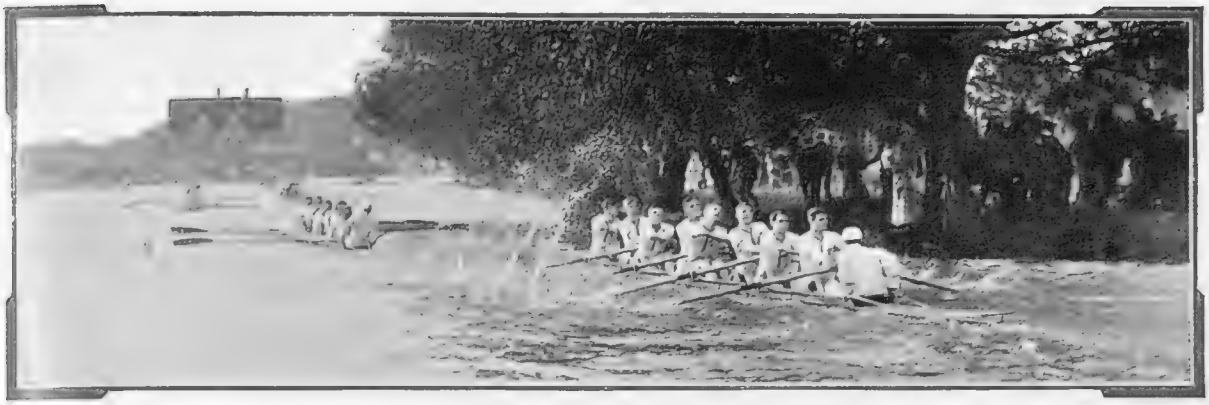
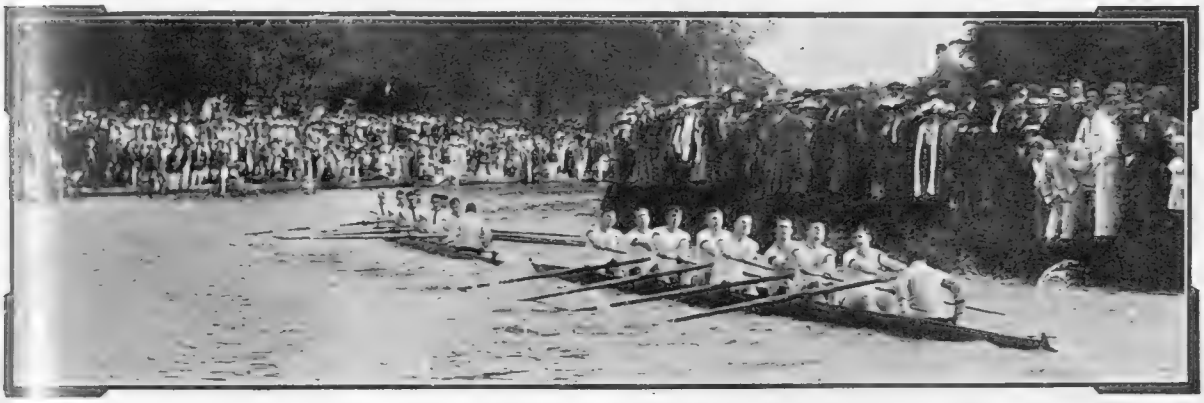


The Eights at Oxford: Merton, who finished sixth, bumping University



The Mays at Cambridge: So near and yet so far!

May Week: Real June weather that all are hoping for on Saturday next and the following days

There is every prospect of an ideal May Week this year, and the list of events, social and sporting, is a full one

Polo: A Clashing of Events

if the weather atones for its faults of last year by being propitious, Cambridge will once more flash with the frocks and frills which make in May Week an orgy of colour within our old grey walls. A new feature of the Mays will be a grand stand in Ditton Paddock. The best view of the course is obtained from here, and a stand will, at any rate, relieve the crush which usually prevails in the Paddock during the races.

POLO. By A. W. C.

Polo Players and Lack of Esprit de Corps

Just ahead of us is the most interesting time of the whole polo season. The programmes of the three premier clubs positively scintillate with notable attractions, and there has been some grumbling at the clashing of dates. For example, the Roehampton people have complained rather bitterly because the tournament for the British Olympic Cup has been set to be played in the same week as their Public Schools Cup. The Hurlingham people protest they could not find another date in their crowded fixture-list in the Olympic games. The result is that the success of the latter as a polo tournament has been completely jeopardised. Rugby haven't entered because they are engaged in the Public Schools, and Ranelagh have practically ignored the tournament. It seems to me that there is not nearly enough *esprit de corps* among polo players, who appear to be rapidly becoming affected by that jealous rivalry of the clubs—and I state this in all seriousness—which is not doing the game any good.

Tournament Prospects

A bright feature of the Olympic Polo Tournament is the entry of Ireland. More power to them, say I, and may they beat the cracks and win the Cup! This week the Champion Cup is being played for. I am writing these notes even before the entries for the tournament had closed, but players know pretty well what sort of sides to expect. I anticipate that the fine old Rugby team will be favourites, specially so now that the Old Cantabs have been considerably weakened by the loss of their dashing No. 1, Mr. Isaac Bell, who had a nasty accident last week.

Woodland Pytchley Hunt

Although there is nothing suggestive of the fox-hunting season in the brilliant suns and blue skies of June, followers of hounds will be interested to hear of a new appointment—that of the Rev. E. A. Milne to the Mastership of the Woodland Pytchley country. Mr. Milne, the only parson M.F.H., has made a great reputation in the Cattistock country, and is sure to be heartily welcome in the Midlands. Meanwhile, the announcement that Mr. W. M. Wroughton intends to sell the Woodland Pytchley Pack at Rugby this week has created unusual interest. By universal consent these hounds are among the choicest in the kingdom.

Photo *Megger*

The Salisbury Plain Club v. Cavalry School at Tidworth Park: A Dash for Goal by Captain Walter Long (Salisbury No. 2)

GOLF. By ERNEST LEHMANN

The Open Championship: Vardon's Chances

This year the Open Championship will take place on the famous links of the Prestwick Club, who instituted the event in 1860. Not to have played over these links means an incomplete education for a golfer. No one who has ever played there can regret the fact or do otherwise than wish to renew his pleasurable experience. In a word, whether for a private and friendly match, or for the ardours and difficulties of a Championship, Prestwick is a splendid course. It has, too, the great advantage of being the property of the club, and, therefore, private, so that the management of Championships can be carried out with the same ease as at Sandwich and Muirfield. The Championship, on the last two occasions when it was played for at Prestwick, in 1898 and 1903, was won by that peerless player, Harry Vardon, the latter occasion forming his fourth win in that event. His score in 1903 was 300, this being the first rubber-core Open

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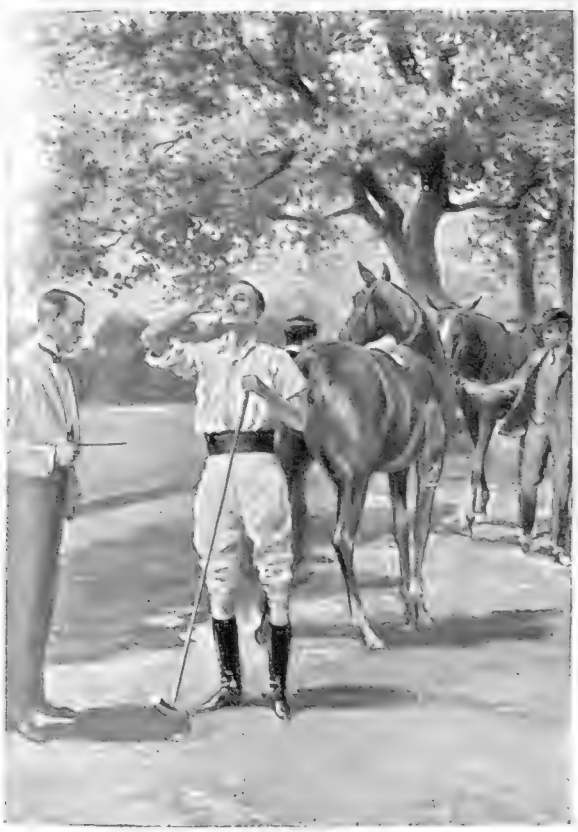

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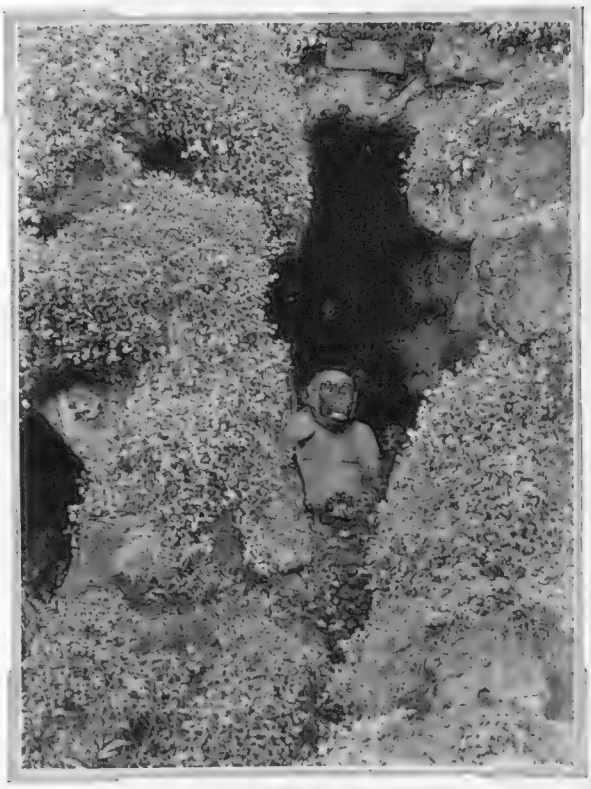

An Old Man of the Mountains

One of the many quaint figures to be met with in odd nooks and corners of the garden

Photos *Clarke and Hyde*

The Wonderful Rock-Garden at Lamport Hall, Northampton, the seat of the late Sir Charles Isham

That the cult of the dwarf tree is becoming the fashion there are many signs, particularly the recent exhibits at the Temple Show. Particular interest, therefore, attaches to the wonderful rock-garden at Lamport Hall, in the arranging and cultivating of which the late Sir Charles Isham spent years of labour and energy. In this extraordinary garden the trees and plants have been dwarfed by special culture, and a scene representing a rocky mountain side, rich in trees and vegetation, is realistically reproduced in miniature. No less interesting, also, are the many quaint little tableaux enacted by gnome-like figures which are to be found in unexpected corners

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Who will Win the Open Golf Championship?

Championship played at Prestwick. Since that date he has suffered from indifferent health till last year, and his play showed a falling off in consequence. But last year a notable improvement in his health was observed, and he has given proof during this year of having regained his former powers, more particularly in his putting. It is, of course, idle to prophesy where so many brilliant players are concerned, but if I were forced to don the prophet's mantle I should be strongly inclined to back Harry Vardon's chances of adding a fifth Championship to his record.

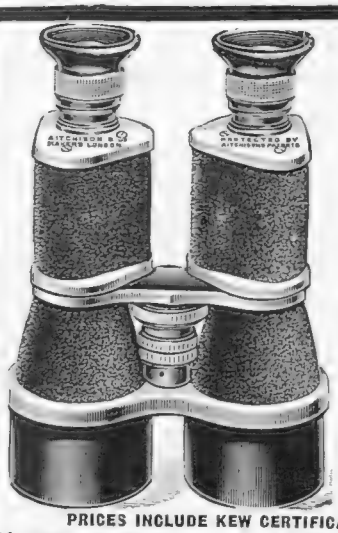
Formidable Antagonists

But, then, look at the formidable list of his antagonists. Just take Braid, J. H. Taylor, Arnaud Massy, the present champion, E. Ray, George Duncan, Rowland Jones, Sandy Herd, and G. Pulford. Who is going to say that one of these will not beat Vardon? Outside of this charmed band there are many others who may achieve success. There are Tom Vardon, Tom Ball, Tom Williamson, the Toogoods, Mayo, and many others who have a decent chance, not to speak of Mr. John Graham, who is quite capable of emulating the feat of his club-mates, Messrs. Ball and Hilton. Massy will, of course, make a great effort to retain his honour, and I should think that Prestwick ought to suit his style of play to a nicety. As a matter of fact, when, as miners say, you come down to hard pan, there is barely a hair to choose between H. Vardon, Massy, Braid, and Taylor, and if these men are fit and fortunate I do not see what other player is to beat them. But on a tricky course like Prestwick, with its formidable hazards and its small greens, the least mistake may be fatal.

LAWN TENNIS

Lord and Lady Cowley at Leicester

Although it is no uncommon thing for Kings, Princes, Grand Dukes, and other exalted personages of various grades to play in tournaments abroad, I think the Leicester Meeting may claim to be the first English tournament to number an Earl and a Countess among its competitors. Lord and Lady Cowley, who played in the handicaps at Leicester, made their début, from a lawn tennis point of view, in distinguished company, for Lady Cowley was partnered in the Mixed Doubles by R. F. Doherty, and in the Ladies' Doubles by Miss A. M. Morton; while Lord Cowley played with Mrs. Hillyard in the Mixed Doubles and with Doherty in the Men's Doubles, besides making a very fair show in the second-class Singles Handicap. In the Mixed Doubles Lord and Lady Cowley, with their respective partners, got into the last eight, and one of the most stubbornly contested matches in the whole tournament was that in which Doherty and Lady Cowley beat F. A. Husbands and Miss Leadley, for fifty games were played before a definite issue was arrived at. In the Ladies' Doubles Lady Cowley and Miss Morton survived to the semi-final, and since in handicaps it is rather a disadvantage than otherwise to be paired with a crack player (for handicappers are necessarily



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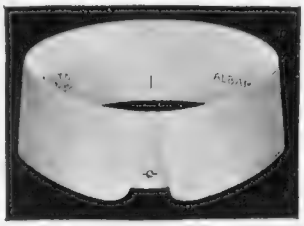

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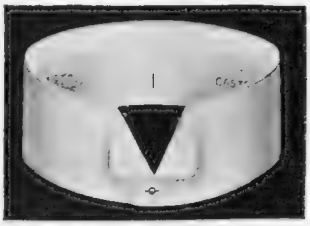

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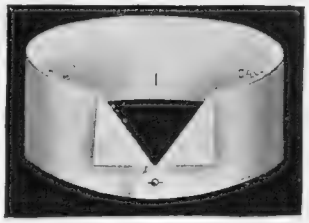

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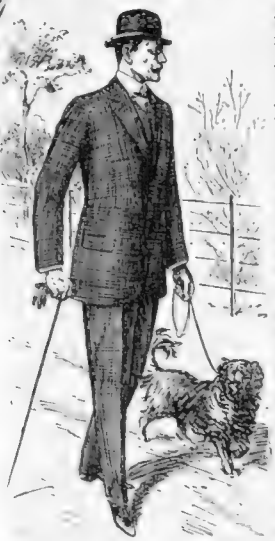

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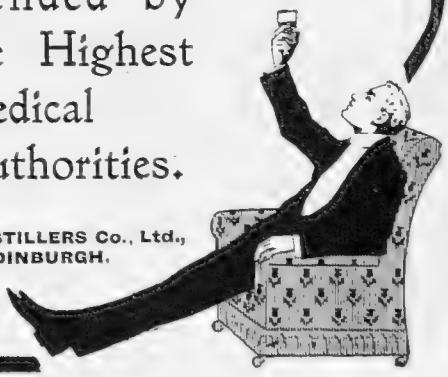

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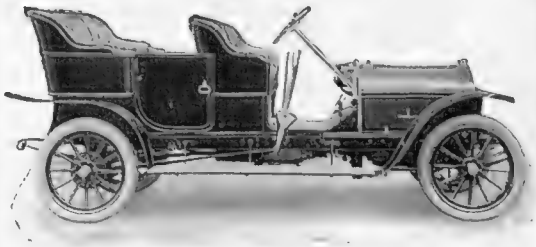

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RACING NOTIONS. By CARBINE

A Memorable Race

Who will forget Signorinetta's Derby? Unpleasant memories linger longest, and for many a year the Derby of 1908, with its amazing result, will be talked of. Young men now will be telling their sons in decades to come how they saw a filly canter away with the greatest race of the year and not a soul in the gigantic crowd on her! Words would fail to describe the amazement of the onlookers when Signorinetta was seen to have the race in hand last Wednesday. They were too flabbergasted for speech. And when No. 16 was hoisted, and we realised that one more Derby had been added to history, all we could do was to turn to each other with a laugh of mingled philosophy and disgust and say, "Well, I'll be blessed!" What of the bookmakers—those merry men who enjoyed what they call a skinner? "The filly's mine, and I haven't got her name on my books," ejaculated one leather-lunged gentleman delirious with delight, and straightway he repaired to the bar to open the inevitable bottle. All down the line it was the same.

A Tremendous Outsider

Scarcely a bet had been laid about the winner in the Paddock of Tattersall's. Nor was there any reason why there should not have been so, as there was nothing to lead any sane person to suppose that Signorinetta would win. How could it be anticipated that a filly who had performed execrably in the One Thousand Guineas and been beaten a long way in the Two Thousand Guineas would now come out and carry off the Derby, the first of her sex to achieve the feat since Shotover won. The possibility was really too remote to be seriously considered, yet the despised outsider rolled home, and we saw once again that nothing is impossible in racing form. Even the success of the dairy-fed Azote could not have caused more surprise, but the milky Frenchman was tailed off before they had gone a quarter of a mile, proving that there is still virtue in good old oats and hay.

Downfall of the Cracks

And the supposed cracks—Norman III., Mountain Apple, Sea Sick II., Sir Archibald, Perrier, etc.—what of them? All, alas! in the ruck. There was a time when Norman III. did look like winning. That was when the field had rounded Tattenham Corner, and the American was in front; but he shut up like a knife coming down the hill. Then the shout went up for Mountain Apple. On the rails Mr. Buchanan's colt held the lead, and seemed as though he might keep it, but his boasted stamina did not assert itself this time, and he collapsed badly on being challenged by Signorinetta. I happened to be on a coach not far from where the filly made her last great effort, and I saw the look of determination and eagerness on Bullock's face as he sent her out for all she was worth. How astounded her jockey must have been to find that he was winning on this 100 to 1 chance. But nothing disturbed him, and though Signorinetta swerved a little from distress just at the end, she won comfortably by two lengths from another outsider, the Duke of Portland's Primer, and a good third was Llangwm. Predicting that the latter would run into a place was the nearest any of us got to forecasting the result of this sensational Derby.

The Romance of the Winner

One was glad, in one way, to be able to congratulate Chevalier Ginistrelli, the owner, breeder, and trainer of the winner, as the Italian veteran is a good sportsman, who is heart and soul devoted to racing. He has simply worshipped Signorina, the mother of the Derby winner. She was one of the loveliest mares ever seen on the Turf, and one of the speediest. Heavy inducements were offered to the Chevalier to sell her. But no, he would not. "I have had one good mare in my life, and I mean to keep her," was his reply to all offers. Keep her he has done through many years of stud disappointments, and at last he has met his reward—in the shape of a Derby winner. All other animals the Chevalier would part with, but never Signorina. And when she at last bred a foal, nothing would satisfy him but that he should train it himself. Altogether, quite a pretty romance in blood-stock breeding.

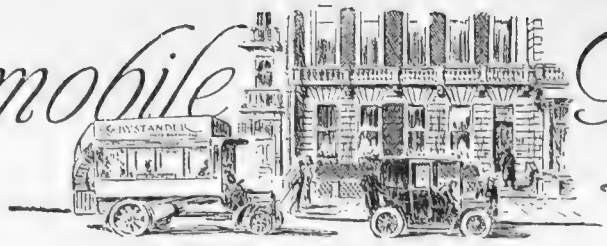
Selections

During the present week the greatest race is the Manchester Cup on Friday, for which **Baltinglass** is my selection. On the following day, the Salford Borough Handicap may be won by **Littledale.** Next week comes Ascot, with all the glamour of its social brilliance and its incomparable racing. On the first day the Gold Vase, given by his Majesty, may be won by a French horse, **Mont Menalé.**

HENLEY REGATTA: NOTICE TO OUR READERS

As this year's Henley Regatta is likely, as the result of the Exhibition visitors, to attract a record number of spectators, the demand for accommodation will be exceptional. To enable readers of THE BYSTANDER to enjoy proper comfort, the Editor has entered into an arrangement to acquire the enclosure formerly occupied by the Isthmian Club, adjoining the Phyllis Court on the one side, and that of the Sports Club on the other. The enclosure will be called "THE BYSTANDER Enclosure," and will be open during the three days of the Regatta. Tickets of admission will be half-a-guinea *per diem;* luncheons and refreshments will be supplied by a reputable firm of caterers, the seating accommodation will be ample, and also the supply of boats. Further particulars will appear in our future issues, and in *The Graphic* and *Daily Graphic.* Applications should be addressed to the Secretary, BYSTANDER Enclosure, Henley.

Automobile Topics.



By COMYNS BEAUMONT

Why Cars are Dear

It is now more than a decade since Emancipation Day, when the automobile movement received its first great propelling impetus in this country, and although the popularity of the motor-car has grown enormously, it must be admitted the sport remains practically in the hands of the opulent among us, or at least those who are in the enjoyment of fairly decent incomes. The cost of running a car of average power—say 24 h.-p.—is not inconsiderable, but at the moment I am not so much concerned with garage and running expenses as with the initial disbursement one is called upon to make when one has determined to join the ranks of practical motorists. Quite a moderate outlay for such a car as I have predicated is £500 to the purchaser, who, indeed, may consider himself fortunate to acquire a car of really good make "ready for the road" at that figure. Yet the actual cost of manufacture of that same vehicle—chassis, coachwork, hood, screen, lamps, and all fittings—is rarely more than half the sale price. This means, of course, that the public, with characteristic docility, are content to pay through the nose in order to gratify their automobilious ambitions. Why should this be so? Let it be understood clearly that I do not suggest the manufacturer and salesman between them divide the difference. By no means. Competition in the motor business is particularly keen, and has been so for some time past, and yet there has been comparatively little cutting of prices. The real reason for the disparity between prime cost and selling price lies in the heavy expenditure which the trade has come to consider necessary to effect sales. In no other business, except, perhaps, that of a bookmaker who attends race meetings, is "kitty" allowed to make such extravagant demands on the resources of the trader. Competition, proverbially, is the life of trade, but competitions in the motor business, in the form of races, trials, hill-climbs, and kindred demonstrations, mean the expenditure of vast sums of money which the public is called upon to find.

Cari-cature—No. LXVIII.: Mr. "Alec" Mosses

Who rules supreme at the headquarters of the Clement Motor Company, Leicester Street, W. An expert at the wheel, he has driven over 100,000 miles, and is well known on the Brooklands track. He is also a keen football player

(By Alick P. F. Ritchie)

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Some Further Reasons

Then there is the question of exhibitions. I shall on a future occasion give some statistics setting out the sums disbursed in a single season by one or two firms whose cars are prominently before the public. Meantime, it is satisfactory to know that the Society of Motor Manufacturers has decided to taboo all Shows except the two run under its auspices at Olympia. As heretofore, one exhibition of pleasure cars will be held in November and one of commercial vehicles and marine craft in the Spring. All provincial Shows, as at Edinburgh, Liverpool, and Manchester, are to be discountenanced. So far, good. Now, perhaps, the ruling trade organisation will continue its policy of reform in the direction of sale-room expenditure and agents' charges and commissions, when we may reasonably hope for a much-needed relief to the poor purchaser. I shall, as I have indicated, return to this subject in a subsequent number of The Bystander.

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Two Indispensable Books

At the moment of writing we are in the full enjoyment of a spell of glorious English summer weather, and those happy motorists who can afford the time are making the most of the delightful conditions by mountain, stream, and road. Particularly opportune, therefore, is the issue of "*The Car* Road Book and Guide" and "Roads Made Easy," by Messrs. Camera and Pen, which also emanates from the office of *The Car Illustrated*; 168, Piccadilly. The first-named work is a veritable encyclopædia of motoring knowledge, compactly enclosed in a neat leather case with compass and detachable large map of the British Isles. In addition to such useful items as a calendar, giving full particulars of the moon's phases and other astronomic portents, lighting-up time tables, and a most comprehensive gazetteer, from which one may learn where to obtain petrol, spares, tyres, hotel accommodation in every city, town, and hamlet in the three kingdoms, the "Road Book" describes all the main roads in the country in minute detail, as well as most of the cross-country connecting links. Golf links, also, are enumerated, but that by the way. Brief, but pointed excerpts from the Highways Act of 1835 and the Motor Car Acts of 1896 and 1903 are supplemented by a list of towns and places where special speed restrictions are in force, a section of the book which, alas! grows

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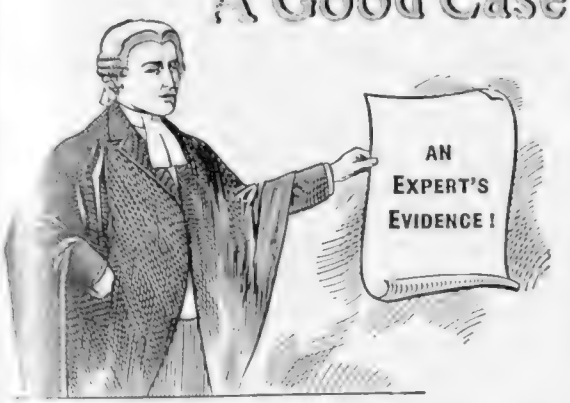

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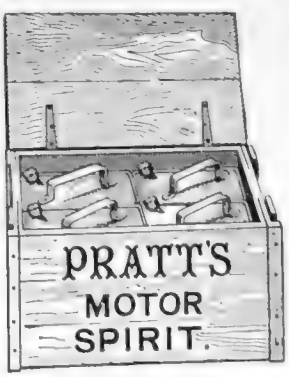

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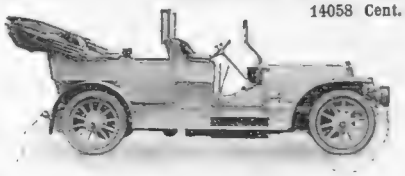

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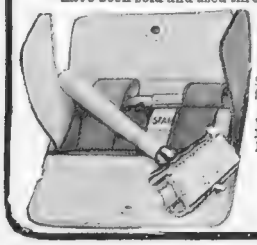

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Miscellanea

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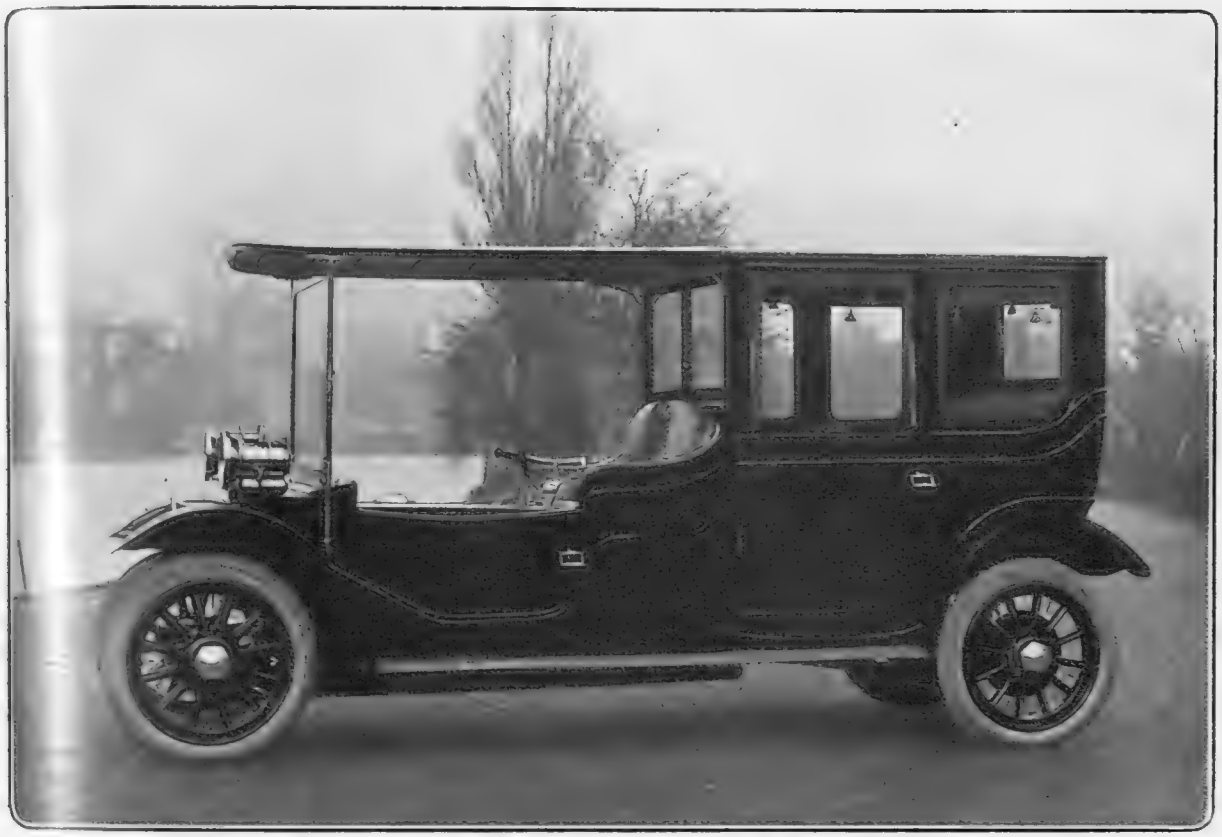

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At the sign of the Cock, otherwise the headquarters of the Clement Motor Company in Leicester Street, London, W., Mr. Alec Mosses, who figures in our Car-icature this week, rules supreme. A very keen and successful man of business. Mr. Mosses out of office is one of the most genial and popular of good fellows, and a special favourite at the R.A.C. and the Motor Club. He has driven more than 100,000 miles *en automobile*, and knows a good car when he handles one. He is also no mean exponent, as the sporting reporters would say, of football, and other outdoor sports, but his chief delight is the giving of trial trips round Brooklands track and elsewhere in his trusty 18-28 h.-p. Clement car.

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By MRS. JACK MAY

It seems to be generally agreed that *La Mode* has seldom lent herself more generously to caricature than is the case this season. And the pity of it! For caricature, be it never so restrained, inevitably takes away from the dignity of the original conception. There is, however, much that is available to the clever impressionist pen, from the aggressively ruffled throat to the eel-tight skirt with fish-like tail, while the hats make a story of themselves.

However, there is an artistic element about the greater part of the dress of the moment that has long been lacking.

For those unblessed by any original inspiration there is provided the customary path of monotony, whereas the license is of so wide and privileged a character it is possible to secure approving criticism with effects for which we have no recognised laws laid down. Perhaps we poor dress chroniclers are the ones best able to appreciate the difficulties of keeping our readers perfectly *au fait* with the modistic potentialities of the day. Some interest emanating from an entirely individual quarter is constantly cropping up, and albeit it may take an experienced eye to credit the real value of departure, it is not well just now to pass anything over with a merely casual comment.

A Thought for the Economical

Contrary to all tradition, even the big *couturières*, whose object hitherto has been to sell as widely and exhaustively as possible, are beginning to see the policy of advancing certain small economical subterfuges. Prominent among these is the three-piece costume and the gown adaptable for either day or evening wear. An Ascot frock is a striking case in point, the ephemerality and general character of these confections in many instances hinting a subsequent dinner or dance dress. True, we have for long essayed the dual aspect in a rather crude, obvious way by means of adjustable chemisettes, etc., but now, thanks to the high-waist skirt, bodices have resolved into such slight incidental matters, the plan is being adopted of providing two distinct upper parts, the design, of course, being carefully thought out with this end in view, so that neither aspect may suffer in the most superficial degree even, or betray the subterfuge.

A Evening Toilette of Approved Classical Design
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The better to emphasise this, Mrs. Dorothy Millar has, this week, devoted all her efforts to illustrating an original idea, showing, in the first place, a charming evening toilette of approved classical *genre*, effected in palest grey marquisette, worn over a clinging *doublure* of soft grey satin. The draped skirt is fitted on to a beautifully shaped yoke band, that passes beneath the base of the bodice, the latter taking a graceful draped fichu form, built in one with the quaint pointed sleeves, the folds caught over the upper arm with silver and dull gold ornaments, a note of relief that is repeated in the tiny vest of white net and heavy embroidery picked out with topaz and turquoise.

It goes without saying, of course, that satin *charmeuse* or *ninon* could be substituted for the marquisette, but the latter, as it is now produced, is almost as filmy in appearance, and has the advantage of greater durability. This gown, though, as it stands, is essentially representative.

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The CROWN LEASE of the above will be OFFERED by AUCTION, at the Mart, Tokenhouse Yard, E.C., on June 26.

Illustrated particulars (when ready) of the Auctioneers, Messrs. KNIGHT, FRANK and RUTLEY, 9, Conduit Street, W.; and of the Solicitors, Messrs. DEACON, GIBSON, MEDCALF and MARRIOTT, 8-10, Great St. Helens, E.C., and 27, Great George Street, S.W.

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BETWEEN CIRENCESTER AND OXFORD.

A QUAINT OLD VILLAGE RESIDENCE, known as "MILTON HOUSE," FAIRFORD, with 5 acres of heavily timbered old-English gardens. The Residence contains: 3 reception rooms, billiard room, 10 bedrooms, bathroom, etc., and good offices; first-rate stabling and coach-house, with motor pit.

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Lot 1.— "Trueloves," Residence, grounds, etc.	A.	52	0 18
Lot 2.—Adams and Powis's Farm ..		47	2 20
Lot 3.—Dunstead's and Cornishe's Farm		78	2 9

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MESSRS. WALTON and LEE

(in conjunction with Messrs. FRANK DAVEY and Co.) will OFFER the above for SALE by AUCTION, at the Mart, E.C., on Tuesday, July 28, 1908, at 2 o'clock precisely, first as a whole, or subsequently in the following convenient Lots, unless previously sold:

Lot 1.—"Broomfield" House and grounds	A.	10	2 2
Lot 2.—Four Cottages and garden		0	1 6
Lot 3.—Laundry-Cottage		0	0 35
Lot 4.—"Ivy Cottage"		0	0 34
Total	A.	11	0 37

Particulars of Messrs. PAINES, BLYTH and HUXTABLE, Solicitors, 14, St. Helen's Place, E.C.; or, together with orders to view, to Messrs. FRANK DAVEY and Co., House Agents, etc., Dorking; or Messrs. WALTON and LEE, 10, Mount Street, W.

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MESSRS. WALTON and LEE

Will OFFER the above for SALE by AUCTION, at the Mart, E.C., in the month of July next, unless previously sold privately.—Particulars are in course of preparation, and, when ready, may be had of Messrs. DRAKE, SON and PARTON, Solicitors, 24, Rood Lane, Fenchurch Street, E.C.; Messrs. W. and F. EVES, Land Agents, 54, High Street, Uxbridge; or of the Auctioneers, 10, Mount Street, W.

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I am informed by an expert that it is quite possible to construct these draped skirts with their necessary double front without a permanent foundation. In which case variety might furthermore be wrought by alternating this accessory, grey, in the delicate tint suggested, going well over emerald-green for day wear. The corsage selected for the illustration displays the favourite long, square *décolletage*, defined by a delicate embroidery, a fine roll of black satin marking out the inner edge, and throwing it up over a tiny vest of gold tissue, which in its turn encloses a pin-tucked white tulle chemisette and high collar. For the rest, the affair resolves itself into a pair of graduated tucked sleeves that terminate just below the elbow, with a slight ornamental touch and a sleevelet of the tulle.

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The Alternative Corsage and an Atractive Hat
The corsage displays the long, square *décolletage*, defined by a delicate embroidery, black satin marking the inner edge
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A New Bathing-Gown

Already are a few enterprising spirits pushing the bathing-gown well to the fore, and one of the latest models to claim the attention of the enthusiastic swimmer is arranged with a kree-length tunic, the short sleeves cut in one with the bodice part, and the only entrance effected by means of openings on the shoulders. There is a pretty kimono suggestion about this style, the waist being defined by a band that draws the fulness well to the figure.

According to the latest French decree, the knickers are completely hidden from view, and stockings and sandal shoes form an inseparable part of up-to-date bathing attire, together with the becoming *bonne* shape cap, fashioned of some pretty fancy silk mackintosh.

Gramophones in the Parks

In many parks this season gramophone concerts are being given, a special instrument being installed for the occasion in the bandstand. The experiment has already been tried with much success in Sheffield and Rotherham.

THE MENU: A LITTLE FRENCH DINNER

Potage Bonne-Femme

Wash a small lettuce and a ¼lb. of sorrel, cut them up small, and put in a stewpan with 1oz. of butter. Cook, whilst stirring, for about five minutes, then add one and a half pints of stock and simmer gently for half an hour; then rub through a fine sieve. Return the purée to a clean stewpan with half a pint of good white sauce, season to taste, add three sprigs of tarragon and a little chervil shredded. Cook for a few minutes longer, then add one gill of cream and the yolks of three eggs which have been well beaten, stir over the fire for a few minutes, and serve.

Cote'ettes d'Agneau à la Parmesane

Trim and shape some lamb cutlets. Mix equal quantities of grated Parmesan cheese and fine breadcrumbs. Dip the cutlets into a good rich brown sauce, then into the crumbs and Parmesan, then into beaten yolk of egg, into which a little salt and very finely chopped parsley and chives have been mixed, and then dip them a second time into the breadcrumbs and Parmesan. Fry them, and serve them in a crown with spaghetti in the middle; pour over tomato sauce, and sprinkle with Parmesan cheese.

Creme d'Asperge Froide

Procure a bundle of asparagus, and boil in slightly salted water until tender, drain, and let cool. Meanwhile, mask the inside of a mould with aspic jelly, set the nicest pieces of asparagus round the sides and coat each layer with aspic. Add about a pint and a half of rich white sauce, half a teaspoonful of lemon-juice, ½oz. of gelatine (melted), one and half gills of cream, and strain all these into the purée. Stir in a little more aspic jelly. When sufficiently cool, add one gill of mayonnaise and a seasoning of salt and pepper; stand over the ice until required for table, then turn out and serve.

Pain d'Ananas a la Metropole

Boil some pineapple in a pint of syrup and pass it through a tameny (a pint of the pineapple and a pint of the syrup). Soak 2oz. of gelatine in water for a quarter of an hour, drain it, and put it into the hot syrup in which the pineapple has been boiled, and stir over the fire till the gelatine is melted; strain it, let it cool, and add the purée. Decorate a plain round mould with almonds, angelica, and dried cherries, sticking them on the mould with a little melted and sweetened gelatine. Set the mould in ice, and fill in with the pineapple purée; put a baking sheet on the top with some ice on it, and let it remain on the ice for two hours, then turn out and serve.

Caviar Canapés

Cut some slices of bread quarter of an inch thick; cut them out with a plain two-inch cutter, and fry the rounds in a little clarified butter till of a light golden colour. When cold, spread them over with Montpelier butter, and place a layer of caviar on the top. Squeeze lemon on them and serve.

Emilia.

Hasten Slowly

We housewives, who are tempted to believe ourselves obliged to hustle from morning till night, should give heed to that good old Latin motto—*Festina Lente*—which means, Hasten slowly.

One of the great secrets of success in housekeeping is to insist that one's head shall save not only heels and hands, but pocket also.

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The Newest Cure

Talking of hope, has everyone heard that it is the new cure, more potent than half a dozen bottles of medicine and ever so much nicer and cheaper? We are familiar with the old saying, "If wishes were horses beggars would ride." I remember in childhood I always thought it feeble, and so did many other people at that delightful age when we fancy that wishes are pretty much anything we like to make them. If hopes could give good health, which of us would care to be sickly? But sometimes, despite its undeniable and well-recognised advantages, hope itself forsakes us. We are not always feeling optimistic. That happy state, so a well-known contemporary informs us, arrives with the summer weather, which assertion is proved by a decrease of out-patients at many of the London hospitals, and from the same source we are offered a celebrated physician's opinion. "The mind has a great influence on many diseases, and the hopefulness which the glorious weather we have had lately always induces in people's minds has had an undoubted effect in diminishing illness," while another doctor, referring to the improvement, admits: "It may be that the warmth and brightness of the days cheer them" (former patients) "up so much that they have no time to attend to their little illnesses." Here is quite a trump card for Christian Scientists. Of course, Dr. Hope is not so potent as these would have us believe, while even Dr. Faith has, on occasion, shown himself highly unresponsive; still, there is no reason why we should not use their services as often as possible, gladly recognising the undoubted value we shall gain from apparently unlikely sources, and not scorning to learn the fragment of a scientific fact which the sunshine and a fanatical sect may make clear to us.

Ear-Boxing and Stone-Throwing

I was amused to read of the recent case when the fine of a farthing was inflicted by the magistrate upon a cyclist for boxing the ears of a boy who threw stones at him. Isn't stone-throwing also a fineable offence, by the way? If so, it is a pity that the affair might not have been made even, or, indeed, I should have been inclined to fix a halfpenny as the sum to be paid down by the first aggressor—only quite possibly he was not possessed of a halfpenny. Seriously, cyclists have much to put up with, especially when riding through small villages; and I say in their defence that they generally bear their inevitable troubles, poultry, barking dogs, careless small children, etc., with great good humour and much skill, but when it comes to boys wilfully throwing stones, this seems altogether a different matter. We then feel inclined to forgive the rider who loses patience and inflicts retribution. To box a boy's ears is certainly (from the boy's point of view) not a very prudent action; but, under the circumstances, the law itself viewed it lightly, and we can imagine the cyclist paid his fine cheerfully, and thought it quite worth it.

Bathing Fashions

People have started to be very smart this year, wearing apparel being more than usually summery, and really I think that woman is increasingly proud and careful of her appearance, for I have noticed, especially at the seaside, that she makes a point of being especially dignified and graceful. And now it is rumoured that her very latest coquetry consists of abandoning the old ugly oilskin cap in favour of the poke-bonnet for bathing. Just fancy dancing about in the sea looking Early Victorian, gladly conscious of being well dressed, fashionable, and protected from the sun's hottest rays. I have not yet seen any of the novelties in "practice," but I think I must take the earliest opportunity of visiting the coast in order to acquaint myself with them.

LADY PHYLLIS.

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The Editor's Box

Empire Theatre

Last week saw the closing nights of "The Belle of the Ball," that attractive "terpsichorean pot-pourri of popular melodies, past and present," which has proved such a draw. The revue, "Oh, Indeed," has run into a second edition with amusing and apposite allusions to such trifles as the meeting of the lady of the Directoire costume with "Our Winston" in the Row, the matinée hat, and Mr. Tree in *The Merchant of Venice*. We, however, felt quite sorry for poor Mr. Seymour Hicks—he seemed the butt of so many witticisms. Perhaps he is bearing up, however, especially with *Richard III.* in store in the autumn! Albert Whelan is a versatile entertainer, and the performances of Vasco, the mad musician, and the Japanese O Kabe family are exceedingly clever. To-day (Wednesday) sees the return of Mlle. Genée in "Coppélia."

Palace Theatre

A particularly strong programme is that in force at the Palace. Besides Miss Maud Allan's dances, which are still drawing crowded houses, Mme. Yvette Guilbert, the celebrated French *chansoneuse*, is making positively her last appearance in vaudeville. Her *répertoire* includes both French and English songs, the latter, many of them old favourites, being invested with a particular charm by her inimitable manner and pretty French accent. Other attractive items are the Mimic Ernest Mills, Miss Margaret Cooper at the piano, and of course, the ever up-to-date Bioscope.

A Notable Jubilee

One of the chief papers out of London, the *Western Daily Press*, of Bristol, celebrated its jubilee on June 1. With this special issue was also presented a facsimile of the first number of the paper, published on June 1, 1858. The *Daily Press* was one of the first seven provincial papers, and during its fifty years of life has filled a useful and honourable place in British journalism.

P. and O. Reductions

The current issue of the P. and O. Sailings Table announces a substantial reduction in the summer passage rates between Marseilles and Egypt. The *Morea*, the sixth vessel of the well-known "M" class, is expected to be launched in July; the fitting out of the express steamer *Salsette* in anticipation of her cruise to Russia is well advanced. Work on other two steamers of the "M" class, each of 12,000 tons, is progressing satisfactorily. Seventeen additional cadets have, under the Company's scheme for the training of officers, been entered on the muster-roll of the *Worcester* this term.

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For Dog Owners

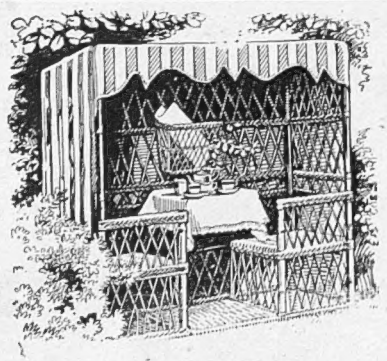
A fourth edition of a booklet of the greatest interest to dog owners has just been published by Messrs. A. F. Sherley and Co., 48, Borough High Street, S.E. (price 2*d.*). The brochure entitled "Hints to Dog Owners," is a guide to the treatment of dogs in health and sickness, and is really invaluable. BYSTANDER readers, by the way, if they mention this paper, may obtain a copy free on application to the publishers.

The "Sanitas" Company

At the annual general meeting of the "Sanitas" Company, Ltd., the chairman, Mr. C. T. Kingzett, F.I.C., F.C.S., announced that instead of paying a larger dividend at present—which was well within their means—the directors recommended a final distribution of $3\frac{3}{4}$ per cent., making the total dividend for the year $6\frac{1}{4}$ per cent., and after adding £2,000 to the reserve fund, a balance of £2,563 was carried forward. It was also reported that debentures of the value of £2,000 had been drawn for redemption at the end of the year. Much interest was evinced in the many new productions of the Company's manufacture, in particular "Sanitas-Okol," the most powerful germicide at present known. "Sanitas-Okol" has secured the approval of H.M. Admiralty, the Board of Trade (Marine Department), the Office of Works, the India Office and their Government Departments.

A Comprehensive Booklet

The latest in travel literature has just been issued by the Great Northern Company, to take the place of the old style of tourist and week-end programme, whilst the new booklet contains all that was hitherto published in the tourist programme. A brief description of the many attractive holiday resorts, accompanied by over thirty-five photo reproductions of the best views, is included. This neat and comprehensive brochure is of such a handy size that it can easily be carried in the pocket. Those in search of good holiday ground will do well to write to the Chief Passenger Agent, Great Northern Railway, King's Cross Station, for a copy.



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